

CRAWFORD COUNTY AVALANCHE

Thursday, April 15, 1993

What a beautiful baby!



A MICHIGAN SUNBURST BEAUTY QUEEN ----

Alexandra Elizabeth Hunter, age 20 months, daughter of Kevin and Christina Hunter of Grayling, recently won the preliminary round of the Michigan Sunburst Beauty Pageant for children ages one to four at the Grand Traverse Mall.

Alexandra is the granddaughter of Larry and Gail Hunter and Ronna Shirley.

The competition was held on Friday, March 31. Alexandra was crowned from eight contestants in her age group.

The judging was based strictly on beauty. Winning the "Queen" title, Alexandra won a large trophy, a crown and banner, and \$200 for her entry fee to the state finals at Sugar Loaf Resort in Cedar, on May 26-29.

If Alexandra wins the state title in May, she will be eligible to represent the City of Grayling at the international competition to be held in Atlanta, GA later this year.

Since the 4-day event in Cedar will cost the Hunter's a lot of money, they are asking for sponsorships. Persons interested in sponsoring Alexandra should contact Ronna Shirley at (517) 275-6262.

Commission racers in home stretch

By Terry Wright
News Editor

With less than two weeks before district #3 voters will choose a representative for the Crawford County Board of Commissioners, the three candidates are staking out their positions in hopes of earning the victory.

District #3 encompasses all of Frederic, Maple Forest and Lovells townships.

The three candidates are republican Kathleen M. Black of Maple Forest (Not to be confused with Kathleen T. Black, who lives in Frederic, owns Wee Tots Day Care and is not running for any public office), democrat Harold Mertes of Frederic Township and Mari Ann Henion, a non-party candidate from Frederic Township.

Mari Ann (Kaiser) Henion, 40, is married to David Henion and together they have two daughters, Annie, 16, and Emily, 9. She is a lifelong resident of Frederic Township and a graduate of Grayling High School.

Henion said the three most important issues facing the Crawford County Board of Commissioners today are, 1) keeping the county environmentally safe and clean for today's and future generations, 2) quality education for our children, and 3) more environmentally-friendly industry that doesn't exploit the environment or the citizens.

She said she is the best candidate to fill the vacancy on the board of commissioners because, "I am coming there with no pre-conceived notions and I owe no one any favors — except my constituents."

Kathleen Black, 48, has lived in district #3 for over six years. She and husband Randy have two adult children, Steve, 26, and Tanya, 20. She is a graduate of Montrose High School.

Black said, "At any given time there are multiple issues facing the board of commissioners and each separate issue is of importance to someone. There are no unimportant issues brought before the board and it

is the responsibility of each commissioner to obtain as much information as possible concerning each issue, obtain input and feedback from all interested parties involved in the issue, and to make an informed

decision based upon the available data about the issue."

Of major importance on Black's list of issues she said are the Crawford County landfill, the jail expansion and the development of a master plan.

She explained that she considers herself to be the best candidate for district #3 because, "There are three kinds of people: 1) those who make things happen, 2) those who watch

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Getting a headstart on summer --



PUTTING FOR PAR--With the spring snow finally melted, Timothy Febey (L) and Steve Anderson take time during their spring break from school to play a little golf at the Grayling Country Club. Febey is a student at Interlochen Arts Academy and Anderson is a junior at Grayling High School.

Photo by Terry Wright/Avalanche

Learning the habits of black bears

By Linda Sherwood
Staff Writer

Dragging a hibernating black bear and her two cubs out of their den is probably asking for trouble, but for Larry Visser, a wildlife research biologist with the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) it's his job.

Visser works out of the Wildlife Research Station in Houghton Lake and monitors black bears throughout the northern Lower Peninsula. There are about 1,200 to 1,500 black bears in that area. When the DNR receives a nuisance complaint about a bear, Visser will capture the bear and put a radio collar on it to make monitoring possible.

Black bears usually become a problem when there is feed left outside for turkeys, deer or pets. The biggest complaint, said Visser, is bears getting into bird feeders near homes.

In Crawford County there are three female bears with radio collars. Two male bears were radio collared and moved to another area after complaints were made by local residents.

Visser said the removal isn't very effective because they can move back to the area in a short time. It's a temporary solution at best, said Visser. Bears rarely stay in one area for a long period of time, said Visser. If a black bear is causing problems in an area, chances are the bear will move on by itself within a couple of weeks.

The home range of a black bear is very large, said Visser. A 50-mile movement isn't uncommon, he said.

By radio collaring black bears, the DNR hopes to gather information about the productivity and survival of black bears and the causes of mortality in older bears, said Visser. This information includes the age female bears first start having cubs, the number of cubs born, the sex ratio of the cubs and the number of cubs that survive the

first year of life. The first-year survival rate can be quite variable.

This information is used to help determine the size of the bear population and the number of hunting licenses to make available in the annual harvest. On average, 120 to 150 bears are harvested during the bear hunting season each year. Black bears can live to at least their early 20s, although a few have been recorded as 35 years old. Only five percent of the bear population dies due to non-harvest means annually. Much of that five percent is human-related either by being hit by cars or poaching.

The monitoring of the black bears allows the DNR to separate fact from fiction when it comes to their behavior and habits from hibernating to birth productivity. Female black bears can reproduce every other year, said Visser. The cubs spend two winters with their mother before they go out on their own.

"The female bears in northern-lower Michigan are quite productive and having three or four cubs isn't uncommon," said Visser. "The hard part is having them survive the first year of life."

A 15-year-old female bear in Crawford County was radio collared three years ago. At that time she had four cubs with her. When she was checked in her den the following winter, only two cubs were still with her.

At that time both cubs, one female and one male, were radio collared. The female cub is now 3 years old and had her first set of cubs this past winter in Crawford County. Her brother spent last winter hibernating in Kalkaska County. The 15-year-old bear also had another set of cubs a year ago. This time she had three cubs, two of which are now radio collared.

Not all bears prefer to spend their winter in a cave-like den. A 9-year-

old female with three cubs spends her winters in the open, in a kind of nest.

The top is open to the elements with only the sides of the nest to offer protection to her and her cubs.

This female was also radio collared after a nuisance complaint in Crawford County. In 1993, she had three cubs, two of which were radio collared. Of the two cubs, one was harvested during hunting season and the other dropped its collar. The 9-year-old had three more cubs this year in Crawford County.

Dropped collars isn't uncommon, said Visser, because of the safety measures built into the collar. A leather strip built into the collar is designed so

it will eventually wear out and the collar will fall off the bear. Allowing enough room for growth of a cub may also allow too much room so the collar can fall off easily. In adult males the problem is often that their head is much smaller than their necks, said Visser.

The DNR can find a bear within a 1-mile radius when they are on the ground. The most effective method is using an airplane because of the large territory a bear can cover in a very short time. An antenna is mounted on each wing allowing the DNR to cover a 30-mile path in order to locate the bears.

Five file for two school board seats

Four Crawford County residents and one Kalkaska County resident have filed candidacy petitions for two board of education seats in the Crawford-Ankola School District.

James N. McMillan, Paul M. Olson, Robert C. Dixon, Bernadine A. Doseck and Linda Rutkowski of Franklin will face off in the Monday, June 12 school election. All five residents of Grayling Township except Dixon, who resides in Kalkaska's Bear Lake Township, within the Crawford-Ankola School District.

Doseck, the current president of the board, will seek re-election to another 4-year term. The second board seat is currently held by Keith Oehminger, who is not seeking re-election.

The filing deadline to run for the school board was 4 p.m. on Monday, April 10.

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INTERRUPTING A LONG WINTER'S NAP -- This black bear cub is one of two cubs found when tracking its radio collared 3-year-old mother in Crawford County.



SLEEPING MAMA -- This 3-year-old black bear was radio collared when she was a cub. This allowed DNR officer's to locate her den and radio collar her cubs too.



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Property taxes -- you may not have to pay this year

Did you know that you may not have to pay all or part of your property taxes? A claim must be filed with the supervisor or board of review, accompanied by federal and state income tax returns for everyone

A poverty guidelines resolution was passed by the Grayling Township Board of Trustees on Tuesday, March 14. The guideline will allow people to apply for an exemption for all or part of their property taxes.

The guidelines are reviewed by all townships annually. Each township determines their own eligibility requirements or can use the requirements suggested by the state. Information about a specific township's guidelines can be obtained from the township office. The township's board of review will review applications for approval or denial of an exemption.

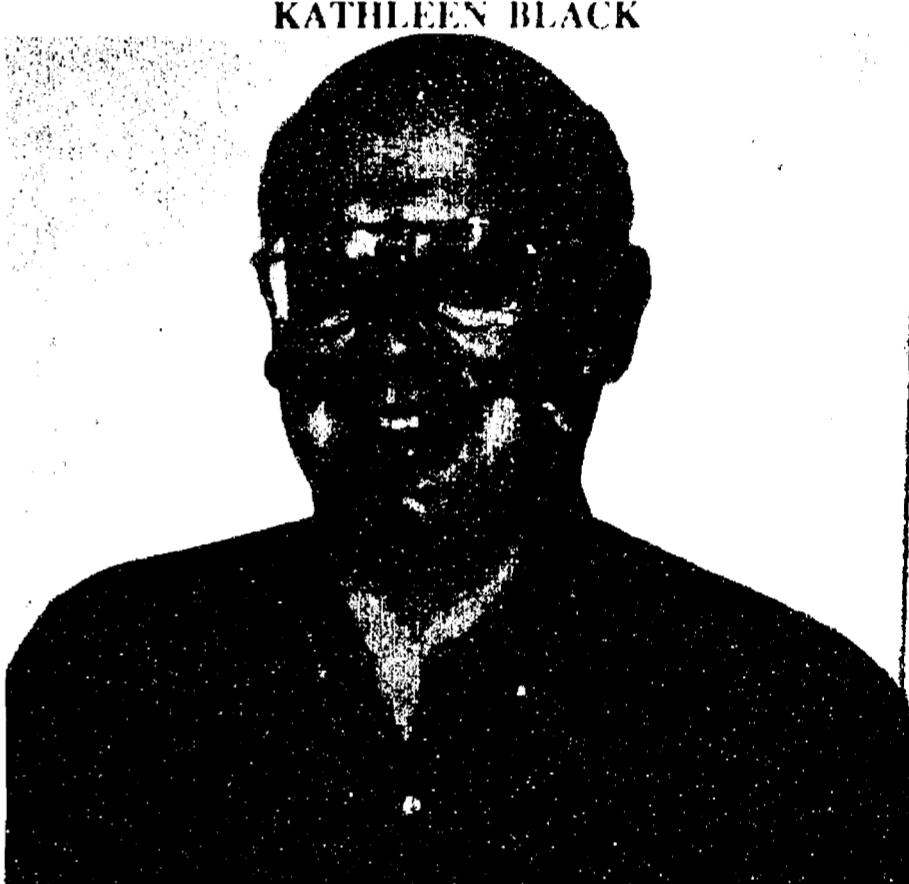
In order to be eligible for the exemption in Grayling Township, a person must own and occupy a home in Grayling Township, the applicant must meet the federal poverty income standards. Other townships may have adopted guidelines other than those stated, but they cannot be less than guidelines determined by the federal government. Contact your township office for their guidelines.

District #3 race nears end

Continued from page 1A effective communication with the things happen, and 3) those who sit media. back and say 'what happened?' I wish He said he is the best candidate to be one who makes things happen." because, "I am willing to open the

Harold Mertes, 57, has lived in Frederic Township for over 50 years and take all views into consideration." and was the Frederic Township supervisor for 21 years. He and wife three will represent them on the Lois have two children, Jay, 21, and Crawford County Commissioners in a special Tuesday, April 25 election.

Mertes said the three leading issues facing the board today are 1) effective communication with the general public, 2) effective communication with the Township Library and the Maple among the board members, and 3) Forest and Lovells Township halls.



Poverty guidelines passed by Grayling Township

For determining eligibility for property tax exemptions.

Number of persons residing in home	Annual allowable income
1 person under 65 years	\$7,518
1 person 65 years and over	6,930
2 persons; owner under 65 years	9,728
2 persons; owner 65 years & up	8,740
3 persons	11,522
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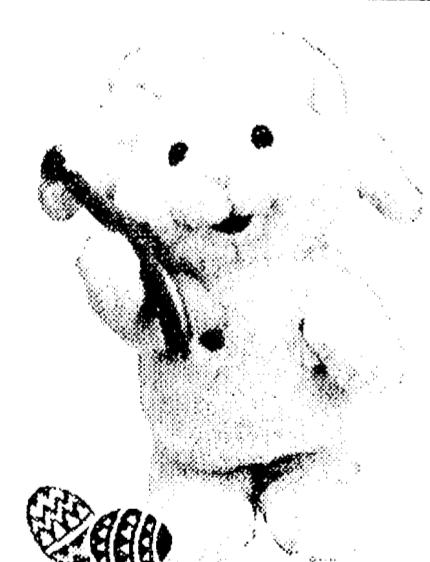


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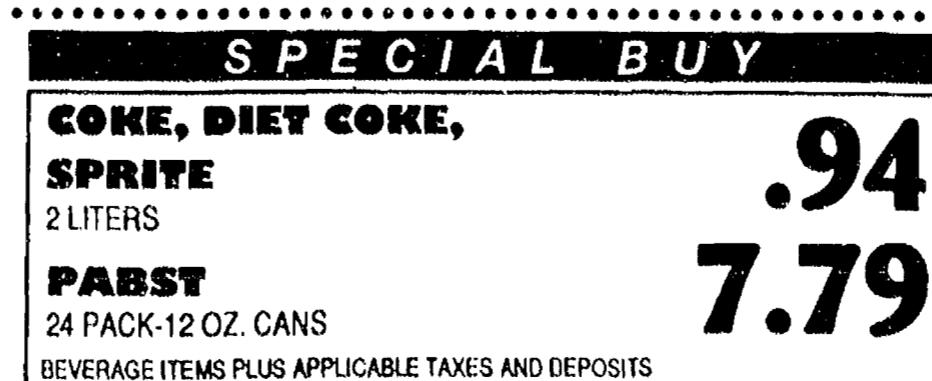
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ABWA hosts 'get fit for spring'

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The guest speaker will be Hard Bodyz manager and personal trainer, Kellie Dalton. Dalton will speak on

"Incorporating health and fitness into your busy lifestyle." Come with a friend, and dress comfortably for a light workout. Weatherly's chef Carlene Englund will prepare a healthy dinner, including chicken stir fry, salad, roll and dessert. Call Margaret Chappel by noon Monday, April 17, at Cornell's, to make reservations.

The cost will be \$7 at the door. Leave your Vitameatavegamin on the shelf and come to "get fit for spring!"

Amateur radio testing at Grayling High School

The Amateur Radio Association of Hanson Hills will conduct amateur "HAM" radio tests on Wednesday, April 19, 7 p.m., at Grayling High School.

Amateur radio operators, who must be licensed by their governments, operate 2-way radio equipment from their homes and cars. They communicate with other hams across town or across the world on special sets of radio frequencies, or bands, that are set aside from amateur radio use.

Just about anyone can be a ham — there are no age limits. Many people with disabilities find a door to the world in amateur radio. Getting a ham radio license is easier than people may think. In the U.S., the novice (beginners) license requires passing a 30-question written exam on basic

electronic theory and FCC rules and regulations, along with copying and sending Morse code at five words per minute.

A new "codeless technician" license is also available, allowing voice operation on several bands, including the popular 2-meter band, without the Morse code requirement.

Tests will be conducted for all amateur radio licenses from novice to extra class. The test is administered by ARRL/VEC certified volunteer examiners. The FCC specified test fee is \$5.75.

Pre-registration would be appreciated, but walk-ins will be accepted. To register, or for additional information, call Ken Wright, W8MLP at (517) 348-8022 days, or (517) 348-2597 evenings.

Mercy Hospital offers breast-feeding class

Preparing for breast-feeding before baby is born is the topic of a new community-education class offered through the Obstetrics Department of Grayling Mercy Hospital.

This new class covers basic anatomy and physiology of the breast, how to prepare for breast-feeding and how to get started. Instructor Joy Bobenmoyer, R.N., said the class is worthwhile for women interested in

breast-feeding basics. It will be offered every six weeks following the lamaze childbirth education series.

The first breast-feeding class will be offered Thursday, April 20, from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Riverside Room of Grayling Mercy Hospital. The cost is \$10 and pre-registration is requested by calling the Mercy Healthline at 1-800-33-MERCY.

Regional aging agency holds public hearing

The Region IX Area Agency on Aging will conduct a public hearing on its proposed Annual Implementation Plan for Fiscal Year 1995-96. The plan will address distribution of funds and provision of services under the Older Americans Act, for the counties of Alcona, Alpena, Arenac, Cheboygan, Crawford, Iosco,

Montmorency, Ogemaw, Oscoda, Otsego, Presque Isle, and Roscommon.

The hearing will be held as follows:

Date, Tuesday, May 16, 1995.

Time, 9 to 11 a.m.

Place, Forwards Conference Center/Quality Inn, 2980 Cook (I-75, Exit 212), West Branch, Michigan 48661.

Genealogical workshop scheduled for April 29

A genealogical workshop sponsored by the Michigan Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution will be held Saturday, April 29, at the Otsego County Public Library, 700 Otsego Ave., Gaylord, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Knowledgeable people will be available to assist you, individually, with your family genealogy. There is no charge.

The workshop is open to anyone interested in working on family lines.

Reservations are not necessary and family work sheets will be provided.

Those planning to attend are asked to bring any helpful data concerning their ancestors such as birth, death and marriage certificates, baptismal certificates, land records, probate and will records, pension papers, service records and newspaper items.

All interested persons are invited to come between the above times. For more information call (517) 732-5841.

Former resident promoted to oncology administrator

Candace (Pond) Carver, of Grosse Ile, formerly of Grayling, was recently appointed administrator of Downriver Center for Oncology in Brownstown Township.

Prior to her appointment, Carver served as administrative director of pediatric imaging at Children's Hospital of Michigan in Detroit. She also has worked at Riverside Osteopathic Hospital in Trenton.



CANDACE CARVER
Carver is a graduate of Grayling High School and the daughter of the late Gordon Pond and Aileen Pond.

Five Mercy nurses certified in inpatient obstetrics

Grayling Mercy Hospital now has five obstetrics nurses who have successfully completed a national examination in their specialty, earning an RNC, Registered Nurse, Certified in Inpatient Obstetrics.

Mercy RNCs earned their certification in inpatient obstetric

nursing, and must maintain a high level of continuing education units per year to remain certified. Of the nine registered nurses in the Obstetrics Department, the following have earned their RNC: Nancy Hodges, Mary Walton, Marjory Bodi, Debra Weaver and Terri Lockwood.

Underage drinking and driving laws impose strict penalties

New Life Community Service wants everyone to know that "Zip, Zero, Zilch" is being promoted during April Alcohol Awareness Month. Federal and state funding has been provided to support the project costs.

"Zip, Zero, Zilch" refers to a new law that holds the underage drinking driver to a different standard than the adult motorist, and imposes strict penalties for violations. The new law lowers the illegal blood-alcohol concentration (BAC) to .02 for drivers under the age of 21. This means even one beer is too many.

Minors with no prior convictions will face a 30-90 day license suspension, up to 45 days community service and/or up to a \$250 fine. They also receive four points on their driving record. In addition, attorney fees could be as much as \$2,000, and the cost of vehicle insurance will increase substantially. Minors must also pay \$125 to reinstate their driver's license, in addition to court costs. All persons arrested in the state of Michigan for

any drinking and driving offense must also have a substance-abuse evaluation done at their own expense.

It is illegal for minors to purchase or consume alcohol, yet until now they were not charged with an impaired driving violation until they reached the same illegal levels as adults (.08 and .10 BAC). This change to a lower BAC will make it easier to enforce and prosecute underage drinking and driving violations before youths reach the deadlier blood-alcohol levels. Experts cite the combination of driver inexperience and a lower tolerance to alcohol for the disproportionately high involvement of the underage drinking driver in traffic crashes.

If minors are convicted of drunk or impaired driving, the court may order time in jail, fines and costs, community service, alcohol treatment or education, or a combination of these penalties. All penalties increase for a second-offense conviction. Even one drink can impair driving and lead to arrest.

DISTRICT COURT

Lonnie Allen Steele, 48, pled no contest to a charge of NSF Check Under \$50, and was fined \$160 or 14 days. He was cited by the City Police Dept.

Lisa Wiergowski, 26, of Clio, pled guilty to a charge of NSF Check \$50 or Less, and was fined \$160 or 14 days. She was cited Dec. 4, 1994, by the City Police Dept.

Timothy R. Hines, 25, of Grayling, pled guilty to a charge of NSF Check Under \$50, and was fined \$160 or 14 days. He was cited May 31, 1994.

Francis Frank Ford, 35, of Grayling, pled guilty to a charge of Domestic Violence, and was placed on one year probation. He was cited Sept. 22, 1994, by the City Police Dept.

Duncan Patrick Macroe, 29, of Adrian, pled guilty to a charge of Impaired Driving-2nd Offense, and was fined \$640 or 60 days, placed on one year probation, plus his license was suspended six months. He was

cited Feb. 5, 1995, by the Sheriff Dept.

Kandace Sue Tyson, 22, of Roscommon, demanded a preliminary exam to one count of No Account Check and three counts of No Account Check. A \$1,000 personal bond was set for each offense.

Dohn Joseph Gugin, 19, of Frederic, demanded a preliminary exam to a charge of Larceny Over \$100. A \$200 cash or surety bond was set.

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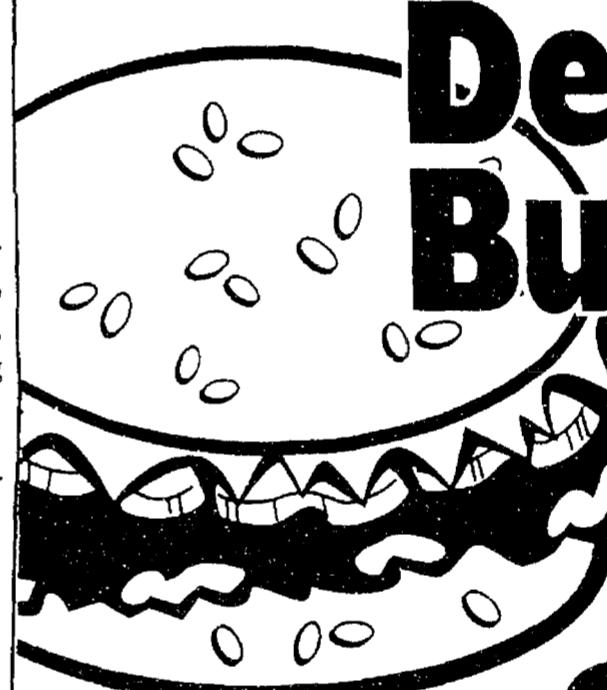


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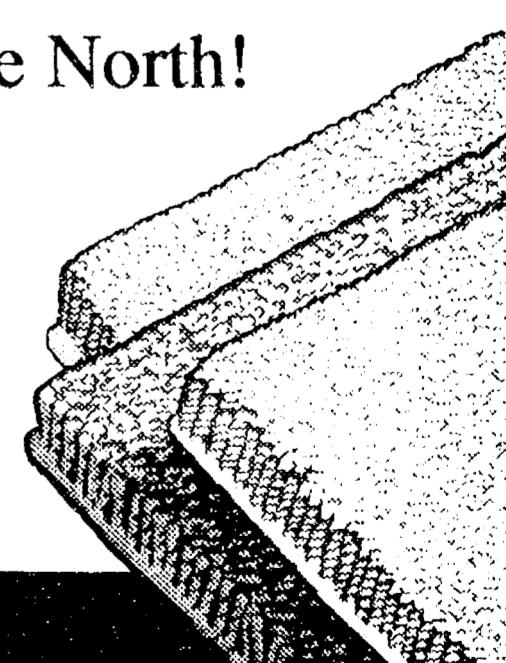
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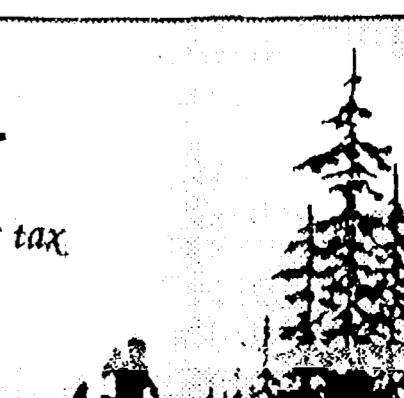
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ISSUES AND OPINIONS

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Writer says we're being 'ripped off' with license fees

To the editor:

It seems apparent to me that most people who buy used cars are not aware of how the state is "ripping them off" every time they pay the tax to renew the car's license. Present state law requires that when a car is sold new, the value for determining the license fee (and any fee is a tax) is determined. The second year the fee is based on 90 percent of the new valuation and the third and every subsequent year until the car goes to the junk yard is 90 percent of the second year. This means that even when a car is worth less than \$1,000, the fee for the license can still be based on a value of \$20,000 or more. This is not even constitutional.

For example, I bought a 3-year-old car for \$15,000, but because it had a high new-car value I am taxed for new licenses on \$30,001. That is \$118 per year. If I had bought a smaller car new for \$15,000, that would have determined the license fee the first year. It then would have been taxed at

90 percent (\$13,500) the second year and 90 percent of the second year (\$12,150) from there on. That would have put the fee at less than \$50! Why should people be penalized for buying a better-quality used car than they could afford to buy new?

I have written to 20 state legislators, both senators and representatives and only three have responded and one of them only indicated he sympathized with me, but did not indicate any inclination to follow up. The only way we citizens can get a situation like this corrected is to flood our state senators and state representatives with letters of complaint. If you bought a used car that is a 1984 or newer, look at what you are being taxed on and let your state legislators know what you think about it. A license fee should be a flat fee no matter what the car is. What it cost new has no relationship whatever to how much wear it will put on our roads. Only the gas tax does that.

Arthur R. Thayer
Grayling

Writer says election was unconstitutional, unethical

To the voters,

We should all welcome the new "charter and private schools," which will bring competition to the public school system. It is obvious money and buildings aren't the answer and that the public school system, with their state mandates, are just not doing an adequate job in educating the students. If they were, the students would know we have both a state and federal Constitution and would know citizens' basic rights.

What does the state mandate on the study of our Constitutions? Do the students read and understand them? Do they believe a person has a right to freedom of speech, expression of beliefs, and private-property rights?

Voting is a constitutional right, but according to the Michigan Constitution, Article 2, section 6: "for the issue of bonds, only electors in, and who have property assessed for taxes in, any part of the district to be affected by the result of such election or electors who are the lawful husbands or wives of such persons shall be entitled to vote thereon."

Maybe the Constitution doesn't matter anymore, maybe a new school is more important than the Constitution.

Who removed thousands of letters from APS boxes that were distributed by a No/No group? What ever happened to honesty and fair play? Was it a "win at any cost" thing?

Who was behind the school administrators, children and mothers driving children around to remove 400 of the opposition's signs. Did they condone acts of trespassing, theft and vandalism, and the clear violation of civil and private property rights?

Plastic letters were stolen from a business and have yet to be recovered. They were taken on 11 separate

occasions prior to the election. On election day, after the signs had been taken six times, a mother and daughter were caught attempting to remove them.

How many times were the police called to curtail the students on election day -- while school was in session? Who allowed the students to skip school to promote the vote?

Several local clubs even tried to intimidate and coerce their members and the public into voting and advertising the Yes/Yes vote. Are they allowed to get into any political issue? These tax-exempt entities are not allowed, by law, to promote political issues. Who allowed all this to happen? Don't these people know the laws and their own rules and regulations?

We also have very clear pictures of students defacing, and removing No/No signs on a vehicle parked near the polls on election day. It shows adults, with school administrators watching, laughing and not lifting a finger to stop the vandalism. It's no wonder there is no discipline in the schools today. Is this an example to set for the children of this community?

This \$8+ million bond issue will double, when interest is added. This bond issue could be interest free if done correctly. Has the school board looked into this concept to save \$8+ million?

I do believe in education, but I do not believe in condoning the infringement of anyone's first amendment constitutional rights.

Freedom is for everyone, whether for or against an issue. Maybe the state should, instead of mandating a 9-week course on the Holocaust, mandate a 9-week course on the Constitutions and the Bill of Rights.

Donald Welser
Grayling



JIM FITZGERALD

If sleep won't come, try counting thoughts

hemline or his garbage collection.

"Maybe I should have slept through the night," Longe concluded.

Paper route unforgettable

Besides Longe, a recent "olden days" photo in the *Port Huron Times Herald* also reminded me of restless nights. Taken in 1946, it shows the Hi-Speed gas station at 1028 Pine Grove Ave. A few years earlier, when I delivered Times Herald route 7A, my bundle of newspapers was dropped off for me at that station.

I went right to sleep every night in those days, but over 50 years later, I sometimes don't. And sometimes I count route 7A's 60 customers instead of sheep. I can visualize almost all the homes; the easiest to see again are the ones beside the St. Clair River, which separates the United States from Canada, and the strong throwers from the weak.

The papers were folded into tight little squares that could be thrown from a moving bicycle onto porches 20 yards away. Usually. But sometimes the wind along the riverbank was so strong that my

customers had to pass through customs to retrieve their newspaper.

The customers' names don't come

back as readily as the architecture. I remember Keys, Higgins, Philpot, Stone, Clancy, Robison, Elliott, Duffy, Harrington, Rose, Urmy, Van Haften, Brophy, Stimson, Mann, Benedict, Teeple, Redmond, Chaffee, MacNamara, Gough, Orr, Tappan, Baker and the William Fitzgeralds (no relation; in fact, their son Jim grew up to be a priest, which is about as unrelated as you can get).

Getting caught at 3 a.m.

My apologies to survivors of those 7A families not recalled, but remember, that was around 50 years ago, which is a long time, especially if you're still waiting for your paper boy to show up. (True fact: In 1943, due to World War II manpower shortages, I got a summer job in a defense factory and didn't have time to deliver the afternoon paper until after dark. When customers complained, I asked them whether they wanted our side to win the war, or were they traitors, for God's sake.)

That Hi-Speed station is long gone, replaced by a dentist's office. Also gone from the same block is my boyhood home, 1020 Pine Grove, torn down in 1977 by the Michigan Mutual Insurance Co. When I sobbed in print, Michigan Mutual kindly sent me the front doorknob and mail slot from 1020, handsomely mounted on a wooden plaque now hanging on my office wall.

The knob won't turn, I sometimes test it, just to be reminded of the several times I came home unexpectedly, very late, after misplacing my damn key, and was locked out. You may remember my favorite Dad quote, when he was awakened by the sound of my crawling through a living room window.

I saw him first, at the head of the stairs, and asked, "Who's there?"

"You stupid idiot, you are breaking into my home," Dad answered. "I'm the one who's supposed to ask who's there."

Some memories are worth staying awake for.

Got a message for Fitz? Phone 1-313-222-8755 anytime.

ALMANACK

By Richard Milliman

How to vote: That's the question

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They argued that the chairmanship cast Mr. Hatfield into a party-leadership role, and as a leader, he should go along with his party.

Sen. Trent Lott of Mississippi, GOP whip, sounded furious. He claimed the Hatfield vote "exhibited an awful lot of arrogance for him to reject the feelings of his own constituency, his own legislative leaders, his colleagues in the Senate and his leadership..."

Mr. Hatfield reportedly offered to resign from the Senate so the GOP could win the balanced-budget vote, but Sen. Bob Dole, GOP leader, declined the offer.

Mr. Hatfield called his vote "my vote of conscience." According to *The Washington Post*, he said he opposed the amendment because "Congress should concentrate on balancing the budget rather than changing the Constitution and [he] objected to a provision allowing Congress to waive the no-deficit requirement by a three-fifths vote, saying it demeaned the Constitution."

The dump-Hatfield move didn't have enough steam, although it generated within the GOP caucus what

The Post described as "intense even passionate debate."

Then there's the added question of leadership. Does being a party leader mean that an office holder must always submit her/his personal beliefs to those who picked her/him as a leader?

SEN. HATFIELD solved his dilemma by voting for what his conscience told him was best for the

country, regardless of his party of his constituency. He voted for what he believed was right. Isn't that what an elected representative is supposed to do?

But he could well have gone the other way, and with good reason. Is his party wrong? Is the Oregon voter wrong? How can he vote against those powerful lures? Should he not have submerged his own opinions to those of his party and his state?

Here's the dilemma, which occurs all too often:

Should the office holder vote for what he/she thinks is right, or what the people want?

It's not an easy question, even in the abstract.

When it gets into specific situations, it gets even tougher.

Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

DOODLES FROM THE TALL TIMBER

By Wendell L. Hoover, Park Interpreter

While looking from some errant railroad between Grayling and Waters information, I came across a short in 1876 named Forest. This name was later changed to Fredericville after Frederic Baker, one of its early settlers. Frederic had been a wild frontier logging town, but by 1912, it was in its decline. Frederic was never a large logging center and when the timber was nearly gone, all that kept the town alive was some farm land east of town (could this be Wards' Orchard and the farms in Maple Forest Township?), a few logging camps and the railroad.

According to Lewis, there was a wood stop for the trains on the

American Viewpoints



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Dwight D. Eisenhower

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Problems exist after passage of Proposal A

By Jennifer Strayer

Capital News Service

As tax season nears its final leg this year, state officials are examining the bumps so far with Proposal A, the new school-finance system.

Proposal A, which voters passed last spring, changed several Michigan taxes, resulting in lower property taxes for most people.

State Treasurer Douglas Roberts said although Proposal A is working well, there are several problems to be addressed. Two concerns are the new transfer tax on real estate and applying the property tax to homesteads and other classes of property.

"The biggest problem with Proposal A has been trying to define a homestead," Roberts said.

Proposal A reduced property taxes to six mills for homestead property, or primary homes, and 24 mills for non-homestead property, which includes

businesses or vacation homes.

The property tax revenue, which funded schools, was replaced with a sales-tax increase of two cents, a 50-cent-per-pack increase in cigarette tax and a transfer tax on real estate at the time of sale.

"Many people who own two homes want to claim both as homesteads," Roberts said. "But the policy was intended to be that place where you live, work, vote and where your kids go to school."

Sen. Bill Schuette, R-Midland, said some of his constituents who own two homes are paying 24 mills on both because the state Department of Treasury denied their homestead applications.

When property owners are denied a homestead claim by the department on the home they apply for, they must pay full taxes on all property.

They can appeal, but Schuette said the department is backlogged with appeal requests.

"We have been very aggressive on behalf of these constituents, with reasonable success," Schuette said. "Our goal is to get these taken care of quickly."

Another Proposal A aspect that has drawn criticism is the transfer tax, which requires a property owner to pay three-quarters of one percent of the price upon sale.

Roberts said the transfer tax is the best way of delaying property taxes, but Midland area realtors disagree.

Dave Miller, president of the Midland Board of Realtors, said the transfer tax causes property sellers to substantially increase prices, hurting buyers.

"This tax results in additional cash required for the buyer," Miller said. "This has caused the seller to incur a

lot more money."

Miller said lobbyists for the Michigan Association of Realtors will be pursuing repeal of the transfer tax in the near future.

However, Schuette said repealing the transfer tax would result in lost revenue for schools.

Despite the concerns with the new system, the main goal of making school-district spending more equal has been realized, said Bobbi McKenon, special assistant to the state treasurer.

Every school district received an amount between \$4,200 and \$6,500 this year, McKenon said. Last year some schools received \$3,800 while others got as much as \$10,000.

"The gap between schools was a very critical issue," McKenon said. "Proposal A allowed us to begin to close that gap."

BITS OF TALK

By Fay Bovee

There must have been some surprised people last garbage pickup day when their bags of yard clippings and leaves were not picked up! We've been composting everything but meat scraps for years and composting leaves and grass clippings in the vegetable garden which has built up our sandy soil. There's no need to buy good potting soil when it can be built up with very little effort. A small corner of the yard will do it.

We would like to see a yard composting center here as our sandy soil can use all the help it can get. There's no sense in filling up the landfill with it.

That's my comment for this week. Now for some news.

Irene and Bill Gildner vacationed for a month in Wildwood, FL. They played lots of golf and were joined by Dale and Irene Peterson for one golf outing. Another time they were joined by Dick and Jo Gildner for the day. Jo is remaining in Florida for a while with her father.

Les Hunter, Dena Kolb and Opal Hunter were in Flushing on Monday, March 27, to attend the funeral of Robert Wills, 73, who died on March 24. He is survived by his wife, Marian, who is a niece of Les Hunter. Bob and Marian were frequent visitors to Grayling.

The Hatfield 'boys' enjoyed having coffee together at the home of Jim Hatfield one morning during the last week in March. Roger Hatfield is

visiting from Florida and seven of the eight Hatfields enjoyed a morning of visiting. Coming from South Boardman was Mick Hatfield and from Grayling were Carl, Hazen, Howard and Harold 'Bum' Hatfield.

Aileen Pond spent two weeks in the southern part of the state visiting her family. She visited Candy and Jerry Carver in Grosse Ile, Larry and Helen Pond in L'ivonia, and Cheryl and Jack Morley in Bay City.

Arlene Welch of Rockford, spent Saturday, April 1, with her mother, Mrs. Emma Mattson. She was accompanied by her daughter, Shandra Bloom and children, also of the Rockford area.

Ione Wiley arrived in Grayling last week to spend some time here visiting friends.

Ed and Ruth Funck spent one month in Alamogordo, NM, visiting their daughter and family, Linda and Bill Weiman, Sarah and Michelle. They did a lot of sight-seeing and Ruth reports that she felt much better in the warm and dry climate.

John Norcross and Bill Merrill returned last Wednesday from a 2-week fishing trip to Argentina. They flew to Buenos Aires and from there to Patagonia in the south. They were guests, along with their guide, at three different lodges and fished in four different rivers. They caught many trout and a big salmon. Accompanying them on the trip were Mr. and Mrs. Rex Farver of Woodburn, IN, and

Grayling. A call from Jack Hull informed us that his step-father, Frank Snider, has suffered a stroke and is hospitalized in Gladwin. He would enjoy a card from people that he knew when he lived in Grayling many years ago. His address is: Room 223-B, Mid-Michigan Regional Medical Center, Gladwin, MI 48624.

Don and Marge Smith have returned home after spending the winter months in Gulf Shores, AL. They were just in time for the snows that hit the area every morning for several days.

Art and Lillian Clough returned from Englewood, FL, where they had spent the winter. They sold their home there before returning to Grayling. Happy 90th birthday to Art on April 10!

Sandy and Jeanne Thompson have returned from Gulf Shores, AL, where they spent the winter. Their son and family, Pat and Beverly Thompson, Bridget, Casey and Taylor, of Saginaw, spent the Christmas holidays with them. Pat and Beverly flew back down in March to spend another week with his parents.

Randy and Lynn Thompson and son, Forrest, spent the spring vacation in the Florida Keys.

Skip and Sherry Hanson returned the end of March from the winter spent in Gulf Shores, AL. Enroute home they stopped in Lansing to visit son, Rob and family.

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FRI. 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB/BB VS. LAKE CITY, home, 4:30 pm. • JV SB/BB VS. GAYLORD, away, 4 pm. • GIRLS' GOLF @ MT. PLEASANT, 4 pm. • GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE @ Grayling Assembly of God Church, 12:15 pm. • GOOD FRIDAY ECUMENICAL SERVICE @ Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, 12 noon - 1 pm.
SAT. 15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WELCOME IN SPRING with a canoe trip on the beautiful Manistee or AuSable River!
SUN. 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ATTEND THE CHURCH of your choice today. • EASTER SUNDAY.
MON. 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • COA Monday night at the movies "Housesitter", 5:30 pm. • GIRLS' GOLF @ ALPENA, 4 pm. • SCHOOL BOARD MEETING @ MS conference room, 7 pm. • AMERICAN ASSOC. OF RETIRED PERSONS meeting @ COA office, 1:30 pm. • KIWANIS LUNCHEON meeting @ Chief Shappenagon's Motor Hotel, 12:10 pm.
TUES. 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EARLY ON COMMITTEE @ CMH, 8:30 am. • SB/BB VS. ROSCOMMON, away, 4 pm. • JV SB/BB VS. ROSCOMMON, home, 4 pm. • FREDERIC 4TH GRADE CONCERT @ Frederic Elementary gym, 7 pm. • SOCIAL SECURITY REPRESENTATIVE @ County Building, 10:30 am - 2 pm. • GRAYLING PROMOTIONAL ASSOCIATION luncheon meeting @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 12 noon. • CONCERNED CITIZENS FOR ANIMALS meeting @ Abundant Life Tabernacle Church, 7 pm. For more information call Dixie @ 348-4117. • GRAYLING UPTOWN DISTRICT Association breakfast meeting @ 8 am, Stevens Family Circle. • AMERICAN BUSINESS WOMENS ASSOCIATION MEETING. • AUSSABLE RIVER CANOE MARATHON meeting @ Mini Mall Race office, 7 pm.
WED. 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WEIGHT WATCHER'S MEETING @ St. Francis Episcopal Church, weigh-in 4:45; meeting 5:30 pm. For more information call Sandy @ 348-5321. • LIONS CLUB MEETING @ Iron Gate Restaurant, 6:30 pm. • COA Phyllis Brummer will be on hand 9-11:30 am to help seniors with Medicare & Medicaid problems, or call 348-7123. • GRAYLING RECREATION AUTHORITY meeting @ Chief Shappenagon's Motor Hotel, 12 noon. • ROTARY LUNCHEON MEETING @ Chief Shappenagon's Motor Hotel, 12 noon. • COA BOARD MEETING @ Senior Citizen Center, 308 Lawndale, 5:30 pm.

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16. Detroit Lion quilted jacket	\$125.00
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1. Prime rib dinner for 2 and room	\$100.00
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18. 12 x 12 carpet	\$100.00
19. 4 gallons of Thompson Stain	\$88.00
20. 1 dozen long stem roses	\$50.00



(Items are subject to change)

OBITUARIES

Lois Akers

Lois Joann Akers, 63, of Roscommon, died Wednesday, April 5, 1995, at Mercy Hospital, Grayling. Funeral services were held Monday, April 10, at 11 a.m., at St. Michael Catholic Church, with Fr. John E. McCracken officiating. Burial was in Pioneer Cemetery, South Branch Township.

Mrs. Akers was born March 4, 1932, in Connellsville, PA. She had been a resident of Roscommon since 1988, previously living in Lincoln Park. On April 17, 1948, in Connellsville, PA, she was married to Ray Akers. She was a homemaker, and was a member of St. Michael Catholic Church.

Mrs. Akers was preceded in death by her parents, Clinton and Cora (Bigham) Tressler; brothers, J. D. Charles and Pete Tressler; and sisters, Betty Fafalous and Helen Akers.

Survivors include: Husband, Ray Akers of Roscommon; sons, William R. of Bemidji, MN, Larry A. and wife Shannon of Lincoln Park, Barry L. of Flat Rock, Dennis R. and wife, Ronja of Canton, and Jeffery P. of Lincoln Park; daughters, Nancy J. and husband James Price III of Taylor, Connie L. and husband Donald Nash, and Rhonda S. and husband Lawrence Sirianni, both of Lincoln Park; 19 grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; brother, William Tressler of Connellsville, PA; sisters, Omaha Kimsey of Cleveland, OH, Donna Tressler of Connellsville, PA, and Phyllis Ruvo of Parma, OH.

The family suggests memorials to the American Cancer Society.

Card of thanks

A special thank you to Dr. Steffe, Sister Rose Mary, the residents and staff of Mercy Manor, and Rev. Douglas Paterson, for all the love and care you gave our mother and grandmother, during her long illness and stay at the Manor.

To all our friends and family who expressed their concern through flowers, cards, visits and cookies given to her, we thank you.

The family of Margaret Jensen

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Arthur Decker

Arthur L. Decker, 75, of Roscommon, died Tuesday, April 4, 1995. Memorial services are being planned for a later date.

Mr. Decker was born March 4, 1920, in Grayling, to Frank and Hazel (Leline) Decker, and lived in Grayling for a good part of his life. On Oct. 10, 1942, he went into the Army, and was in Italy during WWII. On Oct. 19, 1945, he was released from the service. One year later, on Oct. 19, 1946, he was married to Evelyn Krage.

He and his family lived in Holly for about 28 years. He was a farmer, and retired from Fisher Body Tank Plant in Grand Blanc.

Mr. Decker was preceded in death by his parents and one brother.

Survivors include: Wife, Evelyn of Holly; sons, John and wife Kathy Decker; Tom Decker of Flint; Jim and wife, Kay Decker of Goodrich; and Bill, Rick and Jeff Decker, all at home in Holly; granddaughters, Michelle and Janette Decker; brothers, Chuck and wife, Darlene Decker of Oklahoma, Frank and wife Linda Decker of Grayling; sisters, Laura Tinker of Grayling, Bea Baldwin, and Anna and husband Chuck Stoddard, both of Frederic; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to the Michigan Heart Association.

Helen Roblin

Helen Bauman Roblin, 99, of Grayling, died Monday, April 10, 1995, at the Meadows of Grayling. A memorial service will be held Tuesday, June 20, at 1 p.m., at Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, with Reverend Douglas Paterson officiating. Burial was held Tuesday, April 11, at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Mrs. Roblin was born March 4, 1896, in Lewiston, to Henry and Matilda (Hanson) Bauman. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Roblin was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Roblin, in 1972.

Survivors include: Son, Ralph Routier of Santa Fe, NM; grandson, Robert Routier of Schofield Barracks, HI, who was a West Point graduate, Class of 1979; great-grandchildren, Raymond Routier and Stephanie, both of Hawaii; niece, Grace Woodson Curd of Roanoke, VA, and cousin, Ella Hanson Braun of Evanston, IL.

James Fleming

James H. Fleming, 64, of Frederic, died Thursday, April 6, 1995, at his residence, after a long illness.

Funeral services were held Monday, April 10, at 11 a.m., at Homer Chapel, Tidd-Williams Funeral Chapel, with Donald H. Smith, Jr. officiating. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

Mr. Fleming was born Jan. 3, 1931, in Calhoun County, to William S. and Opal (Rohn) Fleming. He was married to Betty Edwards, in Grayling, in May of 1980. Mr. Fleming was a corrections officer for the State Prison System for 25 years, retiring as a captain. He had worked in Jackson and then Camp Lehman in Grayling, living up north since 1973. He enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Mr. Fleming was preceded in death by brothers, George and William.

Survivors include: Wife, Betty of Frederic; sons, Stanley Fleming of Arizona, and Jon Fleming of Gaylord; daughter, Valerie Wick of Arizona; step-son, Jeff Luce of Virginia Beach, VA; 11 grandchildren; sister, Margaret (Peggy) Weiss of Homer; brother, Robert Fleming of Concord; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests memorials to the Michigan Heart Association.

Lucienne Miller

Lucienne Miller, 81, of Roscommon, South Branch Township, died Monday, April 3, 1995, at Hilltop Manor Health Care Center, Roscommon. Funeral services were held Thursday, April 6, at 2 p.m., at Steverino & McLaren Funeral Home, Roscommon, with Fr. Richard Hannon officiating. Burial was in Pioneer Cemetery, South Branch Township.

Mrs. Miller was born May 21, 1913, in Valleyfield, Quebec, Canada, to Romeo J. and Leonine S. (Leger) LeDuc, Sr. On April 21, 1931, she was married to Charles H. Miller, in Saginaw, and he preceded her in death on June 8, 1982.

She had been a resident of the Roscommon area since 1967, previously living in Detroit. Mrs. Miller was a factory worker for Air Craft Manufacturing, and was a member of St. Michael Catholic Church in Roscommon.

Survivors include: Sons, Charles and wife, Trudy of Gahanna, OH, and George and wife, Lois Jean of Roscommon; sisters, Georgette and husband Bob Tatro of Utica, Gabrielle Ball of Washington, MI, and Juliet Johnson of Paducah, KY; brother, Edward LeDuc of California; six grandchildren; and nine great-grandchildren.

Card of thanks

I wish to express my thanks to the friends and family for cards, prayers and support during my recent surgery and stay at Munson Hospital.

John Kucharek

RANGE FIRING

Range firing will be conducted at Camp Grayling in the following areas:

The Small Arms Range located west of Lake Margrethe, north of Howe Road, east of the gas pipeline, and south of Portage Creek. Firing will begin on April 18 and cease on April 18.

The Small Arms Range located at Arrowhead Road in Kalkaska County. Firing will begin on April 18 and cease on April 18.

The Range 40 Complex, Air to Ground, located north of County Rd. 612, east of Guthrie Lake, south of Old State Rd. 618, and west of County Rd. F97 (Twin Bridge Rd.). Firing will be from April 12 through April 15, and April 18 through April 19.

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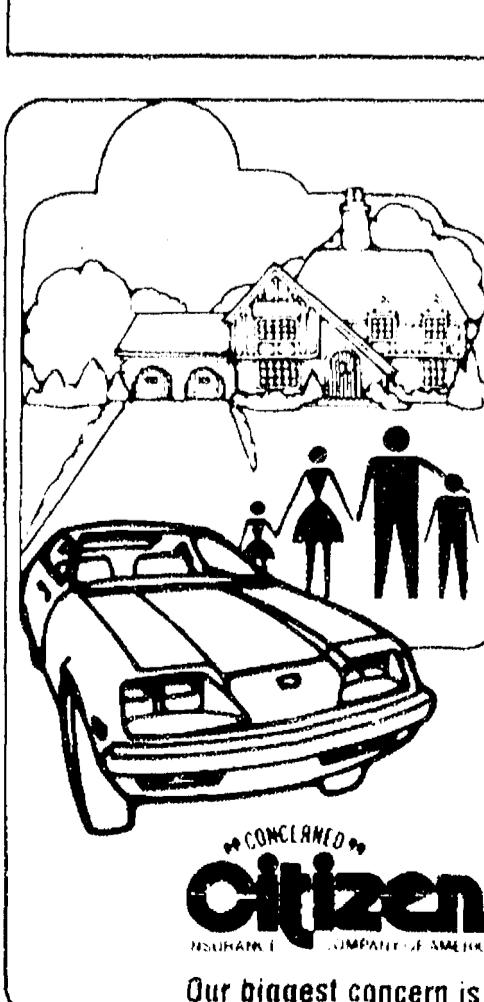
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By Jan Farley

Special thought for the week: Before criticizing others' faults one should count to 10... 10 of your own!

The first annual Easter dinner was a whopping success. We had 60 people help us celebrate the season and gather eggs and bunnies. The dance with Tina went very well and I still am amazed that more people don't come and dance. You would never know you were watching "seniors" when Tina swings into boogie or a rock-and-roll tune. They can shake it with the best of them and have great fun doing it!

Remember the "Big Picture" on Monday at the movies, 5:30 p.m.

April 17-The Housesitter with Goldie Hawn and Steve Martin, who are their usual hilarious characters in this rip-roaring comedy.

April 24-Guarding Tess with Shirley MacLaine and Nicholas Cage. He is a Secret Service agent with the task of guarding a fiesty, former First Lady.

Activities and fun going on the other nights at 5:30 p.m.:

April 12."Pokeno," combination of cards and poker.

April 13."Mystery"- I Spy.

April 14-Good Friday — Frederic Satellite at 11:30 a.m., Lunch at the center, however, no dinner. Happy Easter to one and all from all of us at the senior center.

Come and eat at the center. The meals are tasty, well balanced, and it really is the best deal in town! Any

senior, or spouse, 60+, is welcome and bring your friends and families. The suggested donation is \$1.50 for seniors and a \$2.50 charge for those under 60.

Take note! Reservations are recommended, however, we can always take a few walk-ins — but for the most part, try and call ahead. Meals are served at noon and 5 p.m., Monday through Thursday and at noon only on Fridays. Menus are subject to change and are listed as lunch/dinner.

Lunch/Dinner:

April 12-Swiss Steak/Chicken Pot Pie;

April 13-Meatloaf/Beef Stew;

April 14-Chicken Stir Fry;

April 17-Meatballs/Pepper Steak;

April 18-Chicken Chow Mein/Ham;

April 19-Liver & Onions/Beef Tips & Noodles;

April 20-Italian Pork/Chicken & Dumplings;

April 21-Home Pride Steak.

Coming Events

April 18."Out to Lunch" bunch go to Kalkaska for the first outing of the season.

April 19-COA Board meeting at 5:30 p.m., come see what goes on.

April 23-Sunday Potluck at 4 p.m., bring a dish to pass and your own table service.

April 26."Roarin' 20s" dance with Tina, dig out your flapper stuff and dress up for the occasion.

Stay tuned for the exciting things that are happening next month!

YOUR SOCIAL SECURITY

By Charles Tinsley, Cadillac Social Security Representative

When Social Security is for children

The importance of Social Security as a retirement program is well known, but few people know about the benefits Social Security pays to children. Last year, almost 3.7 million children of retired, disabled or deceased workers received Social Security benefits totaling more than one billion dollars a month. In addition to the children already receiving benefits, virtually all children under 18 would be eligible to receive Social Security benefits if a parent dies, retires, or becomes disabled.

How children qualify for benefits

Children receive Social Security protection when their parents work and pay Social Security taxes. The number of years of work needed for Social Security coverage depends on the worker's age at the time of death or disability or on the worker's date of birth in the case of retirement. A worker who is age 24 or younger at the time of death needs to have worked only 1 1/2 years in jobs covered by Social Security for the children to receive survivors benefits.

Children qualify for benefits if they are:

- Under age 18, or
- 18-19 years old and full-time high school students, or

• 18 or older and disabled. The disability must have started before age 22. Some people continue to receive "children's" benefits into their adult years, as long as they remain disabled.

Adopted, stepchildren, grandchildren

Social Security children's benefits can be paid to a retired, disabled, or deceased worker's natural child,

adopted child, or stepchild. If the worker and the child's other parent were divorced, the child is still eligible for benefits regardless of with whom the child lives and whether or not the parents remarry.

Children whose parents are unmarried also are eligible for benefits under certain circumstances.

Recent changes in the law relaxed the rules that allow adopted children to get Social Security. One of the changes allows payment to a child adopted after a worker starts receiving Social Security benefits. The other change liberalizes the rules that allow payment to a child adopted by a worker's surviving spouse.

Amount of benefits

The amount of a child's benefit depends on the worker's average lifetime earnings. The higher the earnings, the higher the benefits will be. Each child will receive a benefit equal to up to one-half of the worker's full retirement or disability benefit. In survivor's claims the rate is as high as 75 percent of the worker's Social Security payment. But there is a limit

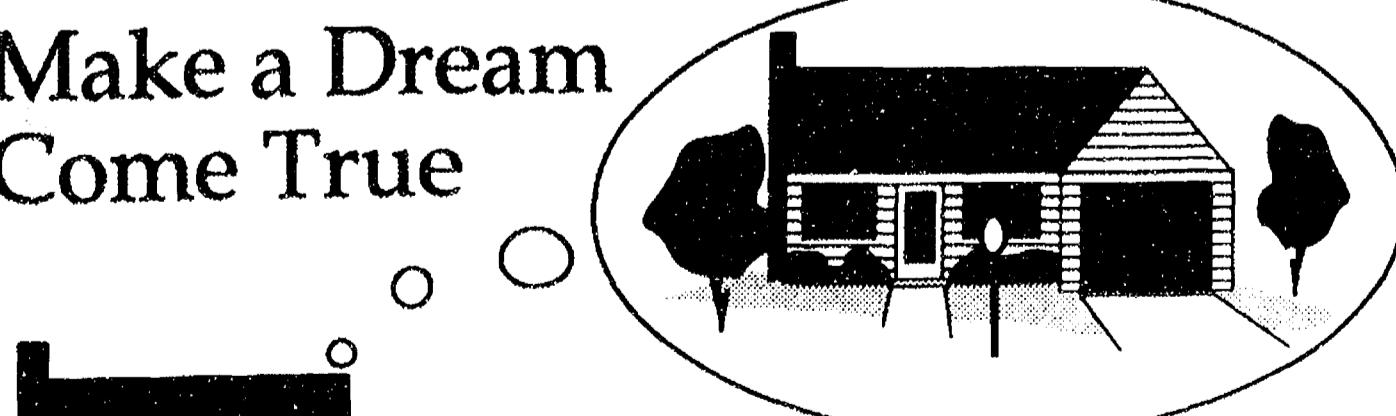
To request a benefit estimate or to get more information about children's benefits, contact Social Security. Call 1-800-772-1213 toll free, business days, between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m., or stop by any Social Security office.

Third annual spaghetti dinner for Hospice with Loving Care

The Grayling National Honor Society students will sponsor a spaghetti dinner fundraiser for Hospice with Loving Care, with the Grayling Knights of Columbus Hall hosting the event.

The hospice spaghetti dinner will be held on Thursday, April 20, from 5 to 8 p.m. Dinners will include spaghetti,

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MODERN WOODMEN YOUTH REMINISCE WITH ELDERLY

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The program gave the children an opportunity to talk with residents individually and to ask them about their accomplishments and experiences. Special book markers were given to the residents in honor of the occasion.

According to Patty Salyers, "Modern Woodmen designed the program to encourage children and older people to get to know each other better. We feel these residents are our extended families and this program offers a living history lesson to children. Remember When helps the members appreciate what the generations before them have accomplished."

RSVP HAPPENINGS

By Gloria Mologianes

I would like to remind all of the seniors who participate in our MIC program that April 20 is our distribution day from 3 to 5 p.m. at the senior center on Lawndale. Be sure not to show up before 3 p.m., because our volunteers need the time to be sure everything is ready for you when you arrive.

That may leave some of you wondering what we are going to do for a truck for this project now. Well, as we are finding out, when it comes to the good of our community, people seem to have huge hearts. Chuck Fick (Fick & Sons, Inc.) has been wonderful enough to offer his help with a truck for us for a few months. When I called him this morning, he didn't hesitate with his offer of help. I'm sure you will all give him a hearty thank you when you see him.



Upcoming Cultural Events Activities at Kirtland Community College

The Lettermen, SOLD OUT, Saturday, April 29. To add your name to a waiting list for a possible matinee performance, call Kirtland's Box Office.

Little Women, Friday, May 5, 9 am, 10:30 am and 1 pm. Louisa May Alcott's classic tale of the four March sisters. Tickets \$3 (designed for students, grades 5-12, and young adults).

Mark Thomas and Max the Moose, Saturday, May 6, 11:30 am. Free

Craig Karges, Saturday, May 13, 8 pm. Psychic magician and mind reader. Tickets \$15, \$13, and \$11.

Shirley Jones, Saturday, June 10, 2 pm and 8 pm. Tickets \$15, \$13 and \$11.

To reserve tickets, call Kirtland's Box Office.

Individual ticket sales for the Summer/Fall 1995 Performing Artist Series go on sale May 1. Season tickets for the 2 pm matinee performance are still available.

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The Bible Speaks

From the Calvary
Baptist Church

Easter

There are many world religions. Ancient Hinduism of India claims a multitude of deities residing inanimate and inanimate objects. Animism is the belief that material objects are living and possessed by spirits. Shintoism worships nature and ancestors. Buddhism was founded about 600 B.C. upon Buddha. Confucius of China founded Confucianism and died in 487 B.C. Taoism was founded by Lao-tse. Zoroaster of ancient Persia founded Zoroastrianism. Islam was founded by Mohammed who died in 632. Communism is an atheistic philosophical system of godless materialism which denies all belief in God. Judaism is based upon the revelations of Jehovah and concerns the doctrines and rites of the descendants of Jacob as prescribed in the laws of Moses. Christianity is a sect of the religious faith of Judaism. Christians accept Jesus Christ as the promised Messiah, God's Son who

came to fulfill all the Old Testament scriptures by living a sinless life, dying for the sins of His people, and arising from the grave on the third day to give them eternal life.

What sets Christianity apart from all the other world religions? Jesus Christ is the only living religious leader to prove His deity by conquering sin and death and arising from the dead on the third day. Without the resurrection of Jesus Christ, Christianity would leave us hopeless and miserable like other world religions. As the apostle Paul said, "If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable." (1CO 15:19) Resurrection was the hope Jesus Christ gave Martha at the death of Lazarus: "Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." (JOH 11:25) Jesus Christ then raised Lazarus from the dead.

Our Baptism is a symbol or figure testifying to our faith in the death, burial and resurrection of Jesus Christ for our sins. "Therefore we are buried with Him by baptism into death: that

like as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life." (ROM 6:4) "Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with [Him] through the faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead." (COL 2:12) "The like figure whereunto [even] baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), by the resurrection of Jesus Christ." (1PE 3:21)

"But if the Spirit of Him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by His Spirit that dwelleth in you." (ROM 8:11) Praise God for the resurrection!

Pastor "B"

"The Bible Speaks" is paid for by concerned Christians who support Grayling Calvary Baptist Church and who assume full responsibility for its content.

MILITARY NEWS

Marine Pvt. Jason G. Brigham, son of Donald and Sylvia Brigham of Grayling, recently completed recruit training.

He is a 1993 graduate of Grayling High School.

During the training cycle at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, San Diego, recruits are taught the basics of battlefield survival, introduced to typical military daily routine, and personal and professional standards.

All recruits participate in an active physical conditioning program and gain proficiency in a variety of military skills including first aid, rifle marksmanship and close-order drill. Teamwork and self-discipline are emphasized throughout the cycle.

In observance of National Volunteer Recognition Week, April 23-29, and National Crime Victims' Rights Week, April 23-29, volunteers at River House Shelter, will be honored at a recognition luncheon and candle-lighting ceremony on April 22, at the Ralph A. MacMullen Conference Center, Higgins Lake, Roscommon, from 12 noon to 2 p.m.

Keynote speaker Kathryn Root,

probate judge for Oscoda County will

speak to the volunteers, advisory board

and River House staff on recently passed personal protection order legislation designed to take the place of domestic assault injunctions or restraining orders beginning April 1.

The candle lighting will mourn those who have died because of domestic violence, and celebrate those who have survived. Certificates of appreciation will be presented to all volunteers and advisory board members. Special recognition will be given to male and female "Volunteer of the Year."

St. John Lutheran Church hosts Holy Week worship

St. John Lutheran Church, 710 Spruce Street, will provide several opportunities for the community to worship during Holy Week.

On Thursday, April 13, a Maundy Thursday service will be held celebrating the Last Supper. This service will include Holy Communion.

On Friday, April 14, a Good Friday service memorializing the death of Jesus Christ will be held.

On Saturday, April 15, worship will consist of an Easter Vigil where

Volunteers—changing the future

Church Directory

On Death and Dandelions...

On one bright and sunny day,
I passed a field of dandelions on my way.
Nodding their golden heads at me,
They suckled a hungry honeybee,
And reflected the light of the heavens.

A short time passed, then came a day,
When in walking along that very same way,
I saw petals no longer perky and golden,
Stems becoming limp and old, and
It seemed their lives were at an end.

Their golden heads were cottony white.
It appeared to be a saddening sight.
Until I stood and thought some more,
Understanding what I had not before;
Even in nature, God has a plan.

Those fragile seedlings floating from
withered old stems
Would again transform into golden gems
In another place, in another spring;
And as God's children we shall, too, take
wing

To that golden field where death shall be
no more.



This Easter, visit God's house. Discover the Creator's plan for the resurrection of your spirit and the immortality of your soul.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Isaiah 43:14-21	32:36-44	Jeremiah 33:1-13	Jeremiah 33:14-26	Lamentations 3:1-24	Psalm 23	Psalm 27

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Services held Saturday at Camp AuSable
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Sabbath School 10:30 a.m.
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Preaching 11 a.m.
Midweek Service Prayer 7 p.m.

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Kirtland Community College (KCC) will be offering a 4-hour seminar for business owners entitled, Marketing and Promotion, on Tuesday, April 18, from 6 to 10 p.m.

This short course will provide participants with up-to-date information on management, marketing, retailing and advertising. Topics will include marketing management, function, services and promotion, advertising, and brochure preparation. The cost is \$39 per person.

KCC will be offering MS-DOS, Intermediate (Version 6.0) on Friday, April 21, from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

This course will help participants learn how to use DOS and third-party programs to manage memory inside a computer, recover from mistakes and disasters, configure and customize the computer, and create simple batch files to automate repetitive tasks.

The cost for this 1-day community

services seminar is \$39 per person. A 2-day workshop for the prospective fire officer instructor will be offered at KCC on Saturday and Sunday, April 22 and 23, from 8:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

Educational Methodology — Fire Officer I will introduce the prospective instructor to teaching methodology and will provide a better understanding of the teaching/learning process.

Topics will include instructor/student relationships, teaching methods and techniques, use of instructional aids, measurement and evaluation, and demonstration presentations.

The cost for this 2-day seminar is \$60.

For further information or to register for any of the above courses, contact Kirtland's Community Services office at (517) 275-5121, extension 210.

CRAWFORD COUNTY LIBRARY NEWS

National Library Week will be celebrated at the Crawford County Library by giving amnesty for any overdue books, audio tapes or videos from April 10 through 14.

The Book Discussion Group met March 31 with *Education of Little Tree* as the topic. Author Forrest Carter portrays life as a Cherokee child after the depression in the mountains. Carter describes learning a trade, defines politicians, explores water in Christianity, the loneliness of the orphanage, the clashes of belief systems and the multiple definitions of words.

April 21, at 1 p.m., the Book Discussion Group will meet with novels by Anne Rice as the topic. Anne Rice has written many novels including *Interview With The Vampire*, *Vampire Lestat*, *Queen Of The Damned*, *Feast Of All Saints*, *Cry To Heaven*, and *The Mummy*. Rice also writes under the names of Anne Rampling and A.N. Roquelaure.

Rice has gathered a following of readers and they hope to explore why and compare the characters, plots and themes to discover the essence of Anne Rice novels.

Two things to remember while driving a motorcycle

Motorcycle season is here. At the first hint of spring and dry roads, motorcyclists uncover their bikes and hit the road. Motorcycles are fun, but can be a dangerous pastime. With their rapid rates of acceleration and the fact that they are less visible than passenger vehicles, safety is an important issue.

Two major safety factors to consider while operating a motorcycle are helmets and driving while intoxicated. In 1992, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) found that motorcycle operators involved in fatal crashes had higher intoxication rates than any other type of motor vehicle driver. Of the 1,016 single-vehicle motorcycle fatalities in 1992, over half (52.4 percent) were intoxicated.

During a crash, helmets are the only protection a motorcyclist has to prevent serious injury. NHTSA estimated in 1993, that motorcycle helmets reduced the likelihood of a fatality by 29 percent.

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Casler, Isley married

On Saturday, Sept. 10, 1994, Susan Elizabeth Casler and Loran Dean Isley were married by Fr. Mike Conner at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Grayling.

The bride is the daughter of Wayne and Karen Casler of Grayling. The groom is the son of Loran Isley of Adrian and Bonnie Isley of Kentwood.

Attending Susan as her matron of honor was her sister, Kristin Kraft. Bridesmaids were, Richelle LeMay, her sister-in-law, and friends, Missy Isenauer, Sheryl Florian, Linda Proctor, and cousin, Jennifer Minich. Ka-

tie Kelly was her cousin's flower girl.

Attending Dean as best man was his college roommate, Steve Krempaski. Other groomsmen were his brothers-in-law, Wayne Casler, Curt LeMay and Jack Kraft, and friends, Tim McCracken and Joe LaGrow.

Music was provided by Susan's sister-in-law, Rebecca Casler, and Phil Leonard.

A reception was held at the Officers' Club at Camp Grayling.

The newlyweds are now living in Clarkston. Dean works for Borg-Warner, and Susan for the Michigan State Police.

Lions Lucky 13 winner named

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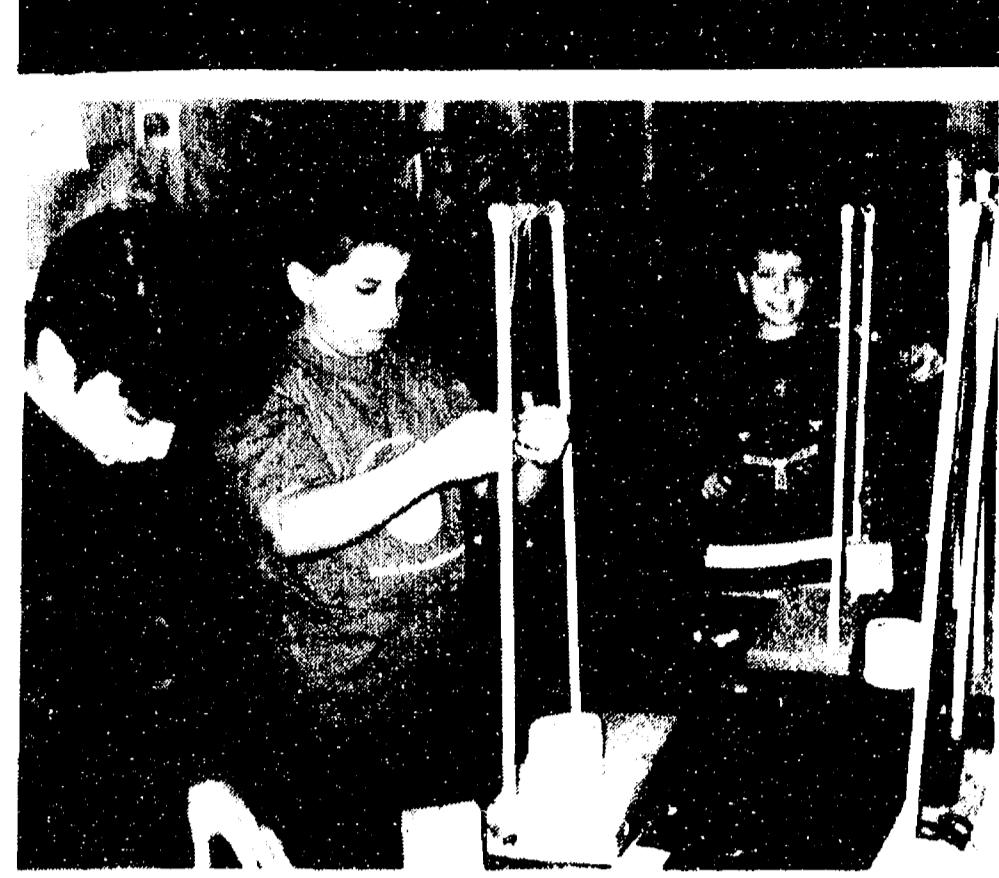
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NEWS SCHOOL



MAKING PULLEY SYSTEMS -- Mrs. Wiltse's 4th grade class is learning how to make pulley systems. Pictured above (L to R) are Andrew Boardman, Coleman Payne and Jared Welch as they worked on their pulleys. The students had to make a fixed pulley and a moveable pulley. Coleman Payne said a fixed pulley makes it easier to lift things and a fixed pulley with a movable pulley is even easier to lift.

GRAYLING MIDDLE SCHOOL

(Students in Mrs. Ingvarsson's class wrote recipes for friendship. The project was completed after reading the book, *Summer of My German Soldier*.)

From the kitchen of Shawn Anderson

Friendship Cake

Ingredients:

1/2 c. fun

1 c. trust

1 1/2 c. loyalty

1 3/4 c. talking

5 1/2 c. healthy

2 1/2 c. nice

1/2 c. giving

4 1/2 c. love

3 c. sharing

3 c. gets a long

Directions:

1. Preheat your friendship baker to 350 to 400 degrees.

2. In a pan, mix fun, trust, loyalty, talking and nice together.

3. Then mix getting a long, giving healthy, sharing and love together.

4. Mix the rest of ingredients together.

5. Bake until it looks brown on top or for 1 1/2 hours.

6. Have a good friendship.

Scotty Lawyer

8th grade

Friendship Pie

1 1/2 cup love

2 cups trust

1/2 cup games

2 people

1 cup lonely

2 cups healthy

Mix love and trust in a bowl. Then put games in a pan and pour the mixture of love and trust on the games and put healthy and lonely on top of love and trust. Cook for 30 min. at 350. When cooked, put the two people around the pie.

GRAYLING MIDDLE SCHOOL

Shane Stephenson
Mrs. Hinkle's 5th grade

Pete Pegasus

March 1995:

Shane Stephenson was walking home when he heard someone yell, "Get that nerd!" He turned around. "Bullies," he yelled. He ran for his life! He ran inside a building. "What are you doing here?" asked an old man sitting behind a desk. "Some bullies..." he said. The old man interrupted, "We're chasing you." Shane said, "Yeah."

"How did you know?" The old man didn't answer, but said, "Welcome to my magic shop, Shane." Now Shane just stared. "How...?" Shane asked, confused. "I was looking out the window and your name is on your shirt," said the old man. "Oh!" Shane

might as well buy something. He bought a book but didn't pay any attention to it until...

June 1995:

Shane walked, er, danced into his room. "School's out for the summer! Schools out forever...whoa!" He tripped over a small box. A small blanket landed on his Technozoid Evil Pegasus, and a book landed in front of his face. He read what it said, "Veeni veedi vecchi?" Suddenly, he heard a small neigh. He lifted up the blanket.

"Hi! I'm Pete," said a voice. Shane felt like he was gonna faint! "Do you have any carrot slices I could eat?"

Shane thought he was going crazy, but he went to the kitchen to cut up a carrot anyway.

When he came back, Pete was trying to fly. "I'm a failure. I can't even fly!" Pete said. "Maybe some carrot slices will cheer you up," said Shane. When they finished eating their carrot slices, Pete grew up past the height of Shane's shin. "Wow! Every time you eat you

grow a little. Good thing my parents are out of town and my sister is too busy with her friends to notice," said Shane.

Over the next few days Pete grew to an enormous size. He learned how to fly and Shane and Pete had many adventures together before the magic vanished a week later. For instance, there was the time Shane rode Pete and scared the bullies, but that's another story.

GMS March Students of the Month



MARCH STUDENTS OF THE MONTH -- Grayling Middle School students selected include Katrina Bean, Bethanie Black, Jacob Carrothers, Jason Dasho, Sara Eagan, Michelle Elsner, Natalie Kent, Carrie Hellebuyck, Nicholas Hurd, Kevin Jansen, Sara Kenney, Brian Lingle, Lindsay Lokovich, Jody Love, Jeremy Milliken, Andrew Miltenberger, Sam Moore, Carter Pavey, Tracie Pausa, Tanya Rice, Krystyna Rugenstein, Eric Sasin, James Sawade, Sharon Stilson, Forrest Thompson, Bradley Varda, Elizabeth Wheeler, Liberty Wilder and Dara Wilder. Not pictured is Dawn Howell

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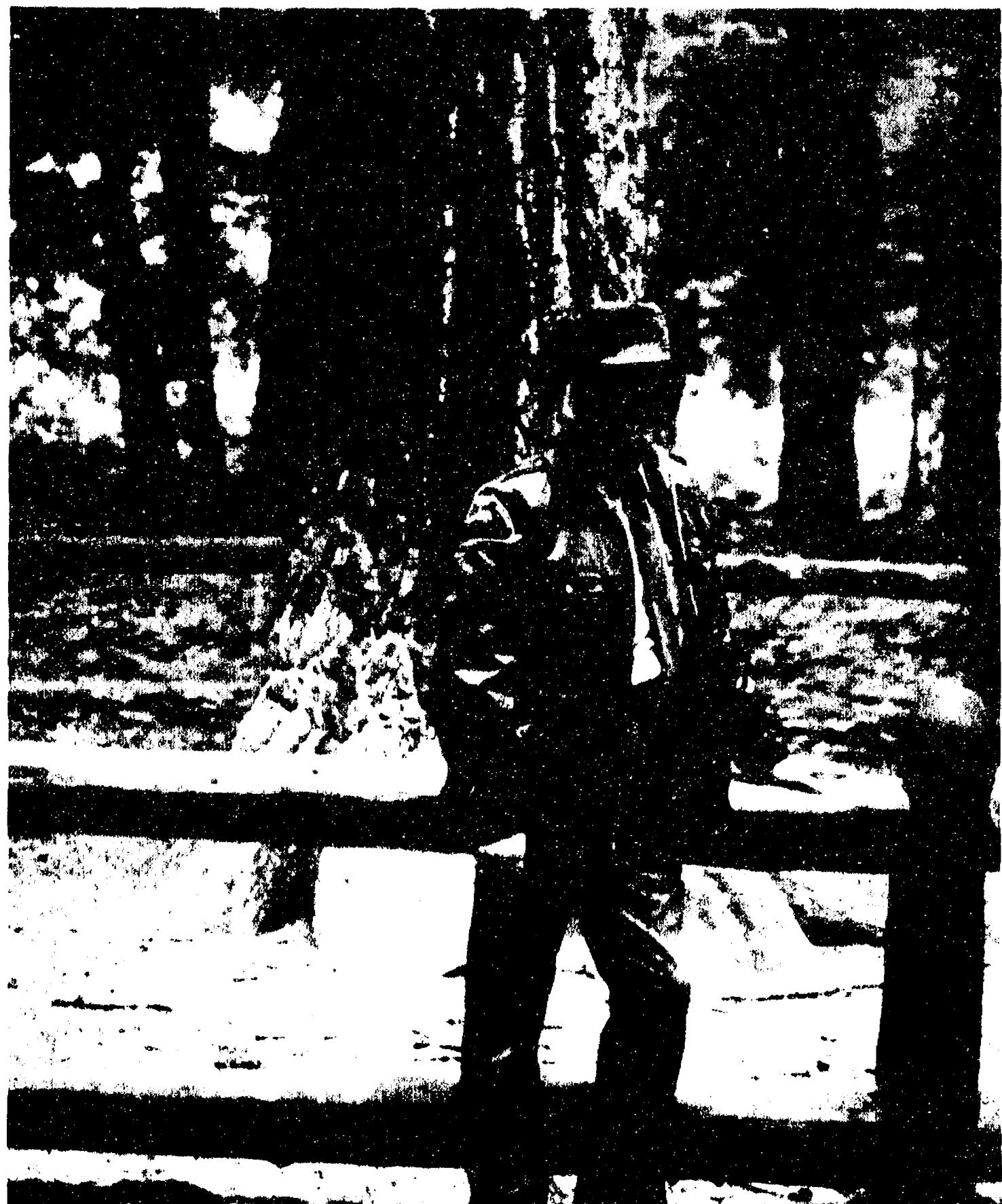
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NOTES NORTHERN

Section B - Crawford County Avalanche

Thursday, April 13, 1995

Wendell Hoover -- a legend in a legendary forest



STANDING IN HIS BELOVED FOREST--Hartwick Pines State Park Interpreter Wendell Hoover rests for a moment under the "Monarch" pine. Hoover has called the Hartwick Pines forest his home for 31 years.

Photos by
Terry Wright/Avalanche

By Terry Wright

Wendell Hoover is a man of incredible timber in more than one sense of the word.

As the park interpreter at the Hartwick Pines State Park for the past 31 years, Hoover has built a legacy of knowledge of, and love for, the last remaining stand of virgin pine in Michigan's Lower Peninsula. He is a recognized expert in logging as it was done in Michigan in the last half of the 19th century—a legend among his interpretive peers. The pictures he paints with words about the life and times of lumber camp "shantyboys" have captured the awe of persons of all ages.

Recently Hoover was awarded the "Distinguished Professional Award" by the Great Lakes Region of the National Association for Interpretation. The Great Lakes Region consists of professional environmental interpreters from Michigan, Ohio, Indiana and Ontario. To receive their annual award has been the honor of only a handful of persons. It is the "Oscar" of the interpretive field, but only one person is awarded the honor each year.

Wendell Hoover started his career with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in 1956 as a seasonal forest fire lookout. In 1961 he became a seasonal park ranger and naturalist at South Higgins

Lake State Park. He came to the with, who get the most excited Hartwick Pines in 1966 as a full-time park naturalist.

"I liked that work," Hoover said. "My education in biological science and history fit right in so I asked to be considered for the job."

Today, 31 years later, Hoover is still at it, although he says the job has changed considerably.

"The only thing that hasn't changed is my hat," he said. "I'm the only park interpreter in Michigan still wearing the old stetson hat. I'm on my second one. It's my trademark now."

Hoover said the biggest change in his job has been within the forest itself. "The new growth that is 40 to 50 feet tall

now was only 10 feet tall when I came here, and we've lost a fair amount of the old growth (virgin pines). The other big change is that I'm not in the field as much today — there's not as much person to person contact, it's mostly just answering questions."

Today, Hoover works out of the new Michigan Forest Visitor Center as the senior interpreter in a staff of two.

Through the years he says he has given in excess of 3,000 tours through the pines and taught his tales of the old days to about 150,000 people.

"I never get tired of that trail," he said, "what you see is different everyday."

"The groups most fun to work

with, who get the most excited are the second and third graders," he said. "But, I've given tours to folks of all ages and all walks of life including a group of severely sight impaired adults. I had them crawling around on the ground feeling the leaves and hugging the trees. They loved it."

Since that tour, Hoover has incorporated American Sign Language into his tours making his tours favorites among the hearing impaired.

His love of the forest and his knowledge of history has led Hoover to interpret in many different ways. On most days when he's not directing tours through the pines he participates in historical re-enactments as a member of one of several period dress re-enactment groups including the Michilimackinac Voyageurs (French and Indian War period), the Grand Traverse Metis fur trader (depicting the life of a white/Indian heritage mix in the 1600-1800 period), the 14th Tennessee Regiment (Army of Northern Virginia of the Confederate States of America during the Civil War), and the 60th Regiment of Light Infantry (The Royal Americans including Roger's Rangers in the French and Indian War, 1755-1766).

In 1992 Hoover and his son Jeremiah took their re-enactment hobby to North Carolina where they were cast in the movie "Last of the Mohicans," depicting the French and Indian War.

Hoover also spends some of his leisure time practicing his hobbies of carving and fiddling.

Although his eyes reflect the thrill of winning the "Distinguished Professional Award," Hoover is no stranger of personal recognition for his achievements. His office walls hold dozens of plaques given by a variety of organizations appreciative of his work.

"This award is nice," he said, "but there are lots of people who made it possible. Every person coming through the park earned some of it. Without them journeying into the past with me I wouldn't have a job."



SAW DUST DAYS--Lyle Cline of Mio planes a large piece of wood with an old hand planer during the annual Saw Dust Days festival. Wendell Hoover was a founder of the Friends of the Hartwick Pines, which annually sponsor the old-time festivals at the park.

1995 schedule of Hartwick Pines State Park festivals

June 24-25.....Saw Dust Days

July 15-16.....Wood Shaving Days

Aug. 26-27.....Black Iron Days

Sept. 22-24.....Old Time Days

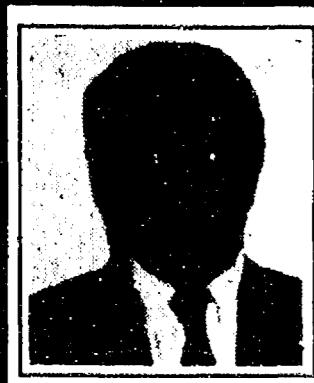
The annual festivals at the Hartwick Pines State Park are presented by the state park in cooperation with the Friends of the Hartwick Pines State Park, a non-profit corporation dedicated to preserving and interpreting the park.



THE MICHIGAN FOREST VISITOR CENTER--The keystone in the Michigan Department of Natural Resources interpretation of Michigan lumbering. Wendell Hoover was instrumental in designing many of the forest displays on exhibit.



OLD TIME LOGGING WHEELS--During the old-time festivals, Hoover can often be seen, in period dress, driving this team of horses into the forest to haul huge logs to the steam powered sawmill at the park.



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**Chief Shoppenagon's to host
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There will be a Men's Singles 8-Ball Pool Tournament held Monday, April 17, at Chief Shoppenagon's. The first 16 players to pay a \$5 entry fee will be eligible to play in the double-elimination tournament which will pay \$50 to the first-place and \$30 to the second-place winners. Sign-up for the tournament will begin at 6:30 p.m. and play will begin at 7 p.m. on April 17.

This will be the first of six monthly

pool tournaments to be held at Chief Shoppenagon's from April through September.

The first- and second-place winner in each monthly tournament will be invited to participate in the "Tournament of Champions" event to be held on Sept. 25.

Persons having questions concerning this event may contact Ted Rondeau at 348-2244.

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BOWLING LEAGUE

Recreation League

North Country R.V.	35.5-20.5	McLean's	16
Scheer Motors	33.5-22.5	Red Barn	14
Terry's Sport Center	29-27	Auto Value Center	14
Peterson Saw	28-28	Swamp II	11
Glen's	26-30	High Game: M. Roshy, 237, R. Grant, 229, J. Thayer, 219. High Series: J. Thayer, 593, R. Grant, 586, M. Roshy, 576.	

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26-30

Mickey Perez CPA

24-32

Cornell

21-35

High Game: C. Brush, 190, D. Armstrong,

189, S. Hinds, 186. High Series: C. Brush, 528,

M. Perez, 495, J. Andersen, 476.

Friday Night Mixed Doubles

Aunt Betty's	36-24
Moshier's Auto	35-25
Advance Collision	35-25
A. H. Rental & Repair	33-27
Main Stream Realty	31-29

Pizza Hut

29-31

Wakeley Builders

22-38

AJD

19-41

Men's High Game: D. Lozon, 205, R.

Moshier, 201, D. Delfant, 192. Men's High

Series: R. Moshier, 552, D. Delfant, 546, D.

Lozon, 530.

Women's High Game: K. Moshier, 210, J.

Hinds, 198, A. Stephan, 180. Women's High

Series: J. Hinds, 537, K. Moshier, 516, K.

Lozon, 482.

Senior Citizens Bowling League

Totten's Body Shop	73-47
Baynham's Forest Products	69.5-50.5
Buccilli's Pizza	67-53
Sylvester's Sports	63-57
Larry & Joan's Place	63-57
Flowers By Josie	55-65
Comell Realty	49.5-70.5
Century 21	43-77

Men's High Game: O. Brantley, 194, V.

Kulick, 193, G. Wolfe, 183. Men's High Series:

O. Brantley, 539, G. Wolfe, 526, V. Kulick,

525.

Women's High Game: D. Mead, 183, P.

Harris, 181, J. Kellogg, 165. Women's High

Series: P. Harris, 492, D. Mead, 469, J. Kellogg,

452.

Sunday Nite Mixed Doubles

Sundles	40-12
Mac's Drugs	31.5-20.5
Robideau Const. #1	30-22
Odd Balls	28-24
Robideau Const. #2	24.5-27.5
Computer Services Co.	21-31
Strikers	20-32
All Seasons Drywall	13-39

Men's High Game: Jack Robideau, 211,

John Robideau, 202, G. Miller, 190. Men's

High Series: Jack Robideau, 550, John

Robideau, 523, G. Miller, 499.

Women's High Game: S. Phillips, 193, M.

Miller, 186, N. Glasslee, 184. Women's High

Series: N. Glasslee, 493, S. Phillips, 486, M.

Miller, 480.

National League

Budweiser	38-22
Moore's Automotive	37-23
Spikes	35-25
Guns & Grub	30-30
Frederic Inn	29-31
Carquest	27-33
Sutles	22-38
Georgia Pacific Resin	22-38

High Game: A. Angove, 235, K. Lovely,

224, K. Golnick, 221. High Series: A. Angove,

563, K. Lovely, 545, R. Michels, 543.

Sunday Fun League

Heisel's #2	36
Legion Lanes	25
Heisel Bros.	22
Dominators	20
Cedar Motel	19

No Fear

16

Deb & Dale's

15

Men's High Game: L. Baker, 195, J. Heisel,

192, 190, M. Roshy, 179. Men's High Series:

J. Heisel, 560, L. Baker, 535, M. Roshy, 524.

Women's High Game: K. Moshier, 181,

174, Wilson, 169, F. Finisbie, 168. Women's

High Series: K. Moshier, 502, S. Wilson, 462,

F. Finisbie, 442.

Upper Lakes

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Stitches by Sue

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Northland Appliance

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Grayling RV

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Adult softball meeting set

There will be a meeting on Wednesday, April 19, for team managers interested in playing slow-pitch softball with the Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) this season. The meeting will be held at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area and will begin at 6 p.m. Registrations are being accepted for team play and anyone interested should call GRA at 348-9266.

Fox Run to open April 21

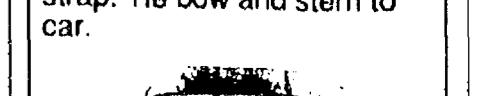
Fox Run Country Club has scheduled its spring opening day for Friday, April 21. Pro shop and maintenance staffs reported April 7. Leagues are forming and there are vacancies in the Tuesday couples, Wednesday men's and Thursday ladies leagues. Call the pro shop at 348-4343 if you are interested.

Guide To Basic Canoeing

Car Transport: Loading & Unloading

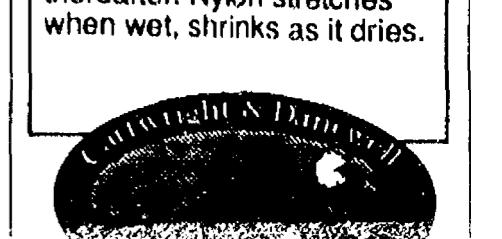
• Place one person on each side of the canoe, lift one end onto rack, and slide the canoe completely onto the rack while walking your hands along the gunwales. This is a good technique for short people or tall cars.

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Three Grayling girls chosen for AuSable Valley B-ball Club

Three Grayling Middle School basketball players will play for the 13-year-old AuSable Valley Girls Basketball Club located right here in Grayling.

Stephanie Wichert, Andrea Elmy and Tanya Rice will play for the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU) Club.

Stephanie Wichert will start at guard for AuSable Valley according to John Smock, head coach. "Stephanie is a very tough defensive player," said Smock. "She can play either the guard or forward positions, which makes her a versatile player."

The coaching staff is working on getting her to shoot more. She has a decent shot and we are counting on her for some points during games, said Smock.

Andrea Elmy will play both guard and forward positions. "Andrea can play anywhere needed," said Smock. She will be very helpful to the team. Andrea has a good shot from the outside, said Smock. Coaches have advised her to shoot more when she is left open.

Tanya Rice is another player who can play guard or forward. "Tanya

can rebound well for us," said Smock. Tanya has a great rebound position and can shoot the ball well, said Smock. If someone leaves her open, she is capable of hitting most of her shots, he said.

Coach Smock would also like to recognize a couple of people that "make everything work for me." Rick Schmidt, of Grayling, is the assistant coach for AuSable Valley. Rick does a tremendous job with the girls, said Smock. He puts a lot of time and effort into helping the girls and they appreciate his help.

"I don't know where we would be without Rick," said Smock. "He gives a 100 percent with these girls."

Ashley Bancroft, of Frederic, is the manager for the team. "Ashley does a great job with the girls," said Smock. She is at almost every practice and will make sure the girls have water and towels during their time outs. The players are happy to have her helping, he said.

The tournament will be held April 21-23 in Grayling and Gaylord. Several teams from around the state will be competing.

Little League accepting registrations for '95 season

The Grayling Little League is accepting player registrations for the 1995 baseball/softball seasons at Sylvester's of Grayling from March 20 to April 22.

Eligible players include those youth whose league age ranges from eight years old by July 31, to 15 years old by July 31. League divisions by ages include the following: Senior League (13 to 15); Girls Senior League Fastpitch (13 to 15); Girls Major League Fastpitch (nine to 12); Major League (10 to 12); Major/Minor League (10 to 12); and Minor League (eight to nine).

The registration fee will be \$20 and a refundable \$10 deposit for pants. Parents/guardians are required to complete a registration form and

provide a birth certificate when registering their youth. Sylvester's will have an updated birth certificate list for those already on file from previous years.

Registration and other questions may be directed to President Tom Haskel at (517) 348-2841 (work) or (517) 348-8722 (home).

Tryouts for Major League baseball and Senior League baseball will be held Saturday, April 22, at Millikin Field in Grayling. Major League tryouts for youth age 10 to 12 will be from 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Senior League tryouts for youth age 13 to 15 will be from 12 noon to 1 p.m.

The team draft will be held at the Holiday Inn in Grayling at 6 p.m. on April 23.

AuSable Valley Girls Basketball Club



IN THE HOOP -- Pictured above (Front, L to R) are Manager Ashley Bancroft (Frederic), Andrea Elmy (Grayling), Shanna Willis (Augres), Tanya Rice (Grayling), Stephany Esch (Fairview) and Valerie Ball (Roscommon). In the back row (L to R) are Head Coach John Smock, Shannon Shagena (Roscommon), Kristel Lunning (Co-captain, Fairview), Rachel Roman (Co-captain, Roscommon), Kelly Kemmis (Rose City), Stephanie Wichert (Grayling), Barbara Wysocki (Fairview) and Assistant Coach Rick Schmidt.

Learn about raising emus at Holiday Inn April 15

The fastest growing agricultural product of the 90s is the emu and you can learn all about raising them at a how-to seminar at the Grayling Holiday Inn on Saturday, April 15, 9 a.m. to noon.

Raising emus is increasing in popularity across the country. Markets for the low-fat red meat and valuable skin and oil are also growing. The land required to support one cow can support five breeding pairs of emu, which grow to 5-6 feet tall and weigh 125-150 pounds. The birds are gentle, easy to raise and thrive in northern Michigan.

The seminar will cover a wide range of topics including how to choose good quality birds, egg hatching procedures, start-up costs and current market conditions. The basics, as well as economic and veterinary issues will be covered.

Speakers include Harvey Rudell, owner of Mid-Michigan Llamas and More of Midland, Mich., Geoffrey Schrock, owner of Exquisite Emus in

Belleville, Mich., and Debbi Donch, DVM.

Rudell and Schrock are experienced emu breeders as well as founding members of The Great Lakes Emu Association. Dr. Donch is employed by the Michigan Department of Agriculture as State Veterinarian for Ruminant and Avian Species.

The cost is \$15 per person or \$25 per couple. The price includes a continental breakfast. Following the seminar, a complimentary lunch will be served featuring delicious, low-fat, low cholesterol emu. The registration deadline is April 12. Make checks payable to Emu Seminar C/O Circle A Farms, 6756 Gillard Road, Spruce, Mich. 48762.

GRA taking registrations

The Grayling Recreation Authority (GRA) is now taking registrations for youth T-ball, youth softball and adult softball. Anyone interested in registering may pick up applications at the Crawford AuSable School District main office, Hanson Hills or Sylvester's. Applications will be accepted until April 28, at the Hanson Hills Recreation Area main office Tuesday through Thursday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Anyone having any questions, call 348-9266.

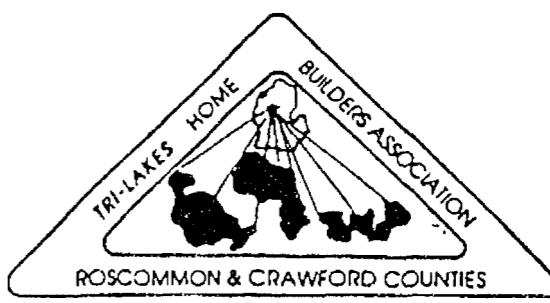
Hunting & Fishing Weekly Update

TWO AND ONE HALF WEEKS LEFT in the countdown to the fishing season opener. If the weather stays good the rivers will be in very good condition for opening day, with the water being at early summer levels. If we can get some warm days we can look for Hendrickson hatches, also probably some Black Caddis and maybe some Stone flies. And as always the minnows will work well.

No word yet on the smelt dipping, but they should be running soon. Also it's time for new fishing licenses and remember if you are going to have a gun in the field, even for target shooting, you must have a small game license. No exception in this area.

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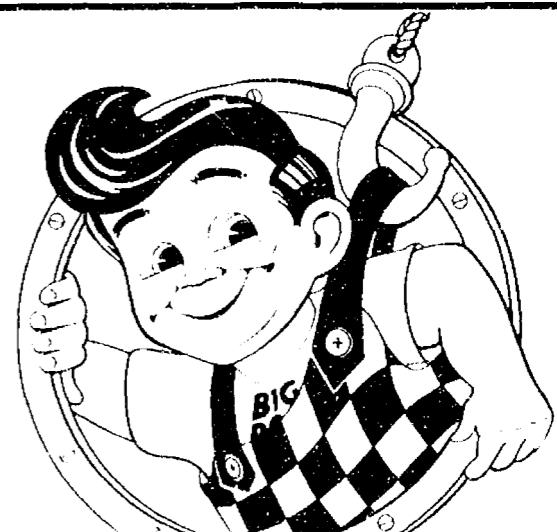
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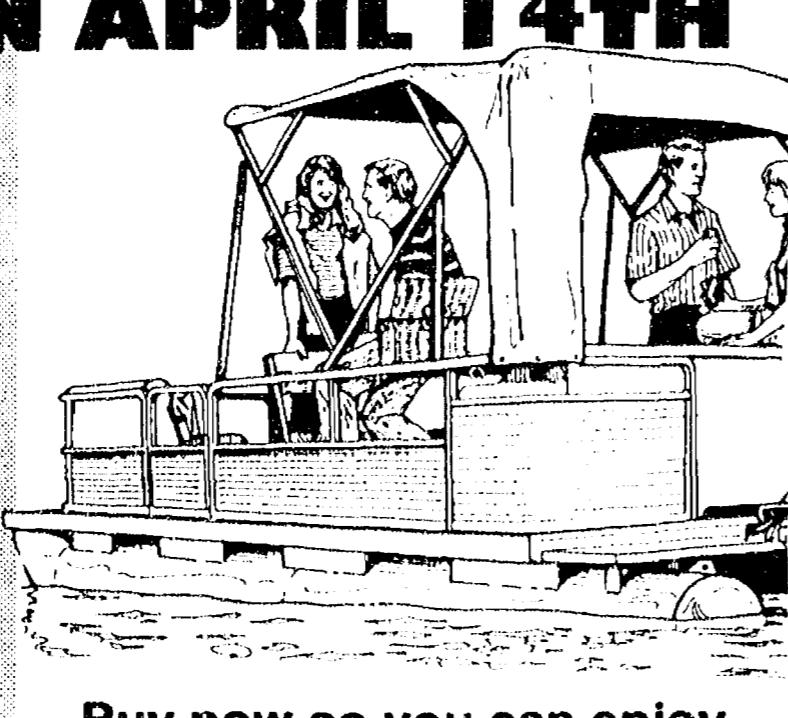
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By Elizabeth McMillin, Family Nutrition Education Program Coordinator, Crawford County MSU Extension

Celery... much more than crunch

There's a lot more to celery than crunch. Take the low-calorie count, ease of preparation, compatibility with other foods, adaptability to various cooking styles and, of course, its delicious, refreshing flavor, and you can see why it's one of the most popular items at the produce counter.

The celery we enjoy today is the result of more than 200 years of cultivation. Originally native to the Mediterranean area, wild celery was a fibrous, bitter-tasting plant, practically inedible. Woven garlands of wild celery have been found in Egyptian tombs, and the ancient Greeks and Romans prized celery for its alleged medicinal qualities.

In the early 1600s, a gardener in Italy transplanted wild celery seedlings into the rich, fertile soil of his backyard, probably for medicinal use. To his surprise, the plants developed an agreeable taste.

France was the first nation to appreciate celery's culinary potential, and its cooks used the plants extensively as a seasoning for stews, soups and meats.

Through persistent seed selection and new growing techniques, growers continued to improve celery's flavor. How and when celery first came to the United States is not known.

However, seeds were available through a Philadelphia catalog merchant in 1806, and not long after that, celery became an extremely trendy food served in the finest American homes.

In the 19th century, celery was often served in specially designed "celery vases," which became centerpiece on dining room tables. Because it was available only in season, it was reserved for special occasions.

Large-scale commercial production of celery began in the 1850s in Michigan, but it wasn't until the early 1900s that this vegetable began to be truly popular. As demand increased, other states, including Florida, California and Texas, became important celery-producing states.

Today, celery is in excellent supply year round. About 37,000 acres of celery are planted each year in the United States, resulting in a yield of

approximately two billion pounds.

The average annual U.S. per capita consumption is slightly less than nine pounds.

Today, most celery sold at the produce counter is the green Pascal variety, preferred for its mild, distinctive flavor and string-free quality. Whole celery stalks (the complete plant, sometimes called a bunch) are sold both unwrapped and in plastic film sleeves. Another popular form is packaged celery hearts (the tender inner ribs), and increasingly shoppers are finding pre-cut, ready-to-use celery.

When buying celery

- Select stalks that are rigid and firm with a glossy surface of light to medium green.

- Leaves should be bright green and fresh.

- Ribs should be crisp, of medium thickness and snap easily.

Storage and handling

Wrapped celery hearts and packaged pre-cut celery should be refrigerated immediately.

When you get the celery home remove and discard any discolored tips, leaves and damaged ribs. If you're not going to use it immediately, trim a thin slice from the butt (root) end, wash it thoroughly, drain well and dry. For best results, place it in a plastic bag in the vegetable drawer of the refrigerator.

If you are going to use the celery right away, remove the whole butt end and trim the leaves from the stalks. Reserve the butt and leaves for use in stocks, soups, stews, sauces, etc. Separate and wash ribs thoroughly in cold water, rinse, drain and prepare as desired.

When properly cared for, celery should remain fresh and usable for about two weeks. To freshen celery, trim the butt end and tops and place it in very cold (iced) water for several minutes until it's crisp again.

Celery may be cut up to three days before using. Refrigerate it in a tightly sealed plastic bag or non-reactive container without water.

Next time, more tips on celery.

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The first signs of spring are here. Crocuses are blooming, grass is becoming green again and gardening and home-improvement projects are on the minds of many. Before the first shovel hits dirt or saw cuts wood, Consumers Power Company reminds customers to call MISS DIG three days before starting any construction or underground excavation.

MISS DIG provides free staking of all participating underground utilities and assistance when work is to be performed near overhead electrical lines. All that's required is a toll-free phone call to MISS DIG at 800-482-7171, Monday through Friday, from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

MISS DIG is a statewide, one-call construction-safety and utility damage-prevention program operated jointly by Consumers Power Company and more than 700 Michigan utilities and municipalities. Among the typical participating utilities are natural gas, electric, cable television and telephone companies.

Many routine, seemingly simple, home improvement or gardening projects have resulted in damages to Consumers Power's natural gas and electric systems. This is particularly evident when MISS DIG is not called

prior to beginning the work.

Every year, hundreds of residential natural gas and electric services in Consumers Powers' service area are damaged by homeowners during construction and/or excavation work. Examples of yard work which may cause damage include:

- Erecting landscape walls.
- Installing mail boxes using a pole hole digger.
- Putting in dock foundations.
- Performing grading work on driveways.
- Transplanting trees, shrubs and gardens.
- Putting up fencing.

"These incidents reinforce the importance of contacting MISS DIG at least three days before beginning any project involving construction or excavation. There's no excuse not to call. It's easy, it's free, and one phone call can greatly reduce the risk of personal injury and damage to utilities," said Kathie Fournier, executive director of the MISS DIG utility communication system.

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TaxNews

Consider all options before filing late

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Even with an extension, you won't get a break on late-payment penalties, unless you pay at least 90 percent of your tax by April 17. In

addition, interest will continue to accrue on the full amount you owe.

If you are tempted to apply for an extension because you owe taxes and can't afford to pay the full amount all at once, there is an alternative to filing late. You can file your tax return on time and request an installment payment plan (Form 9465) from the IRS.

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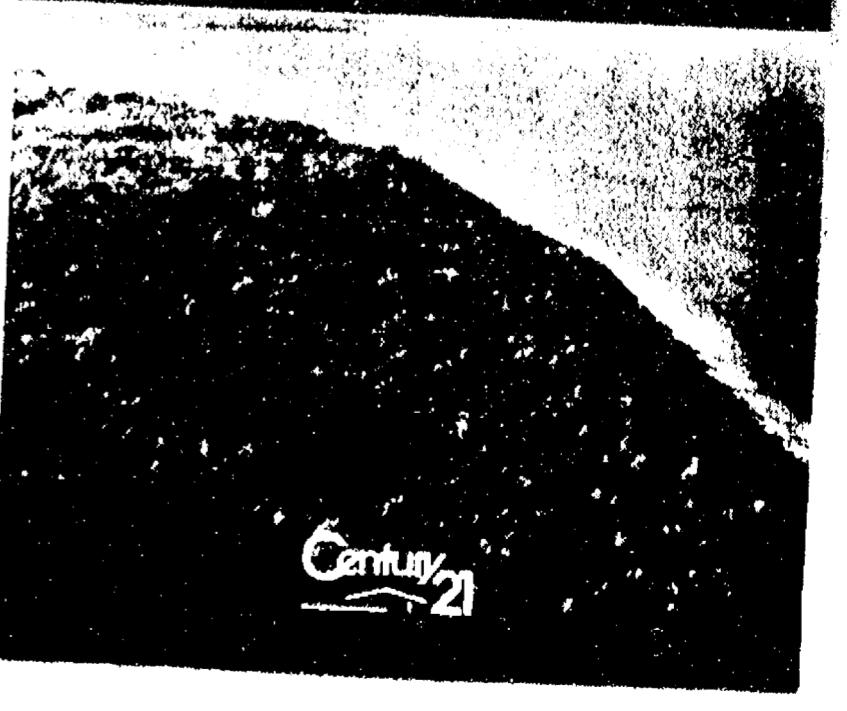
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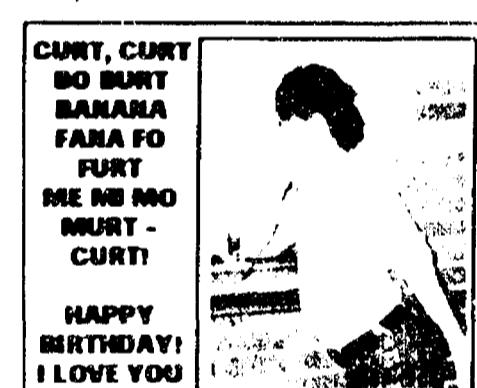
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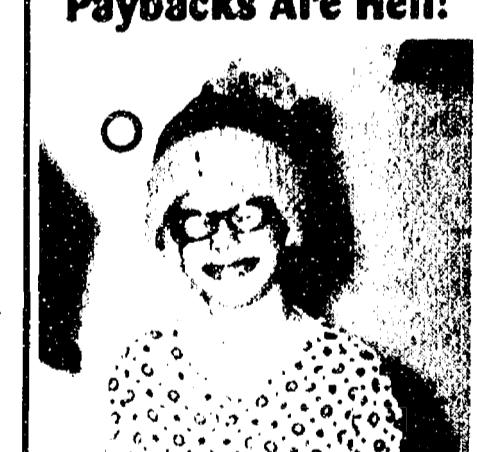
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PUBLIC NOTICE The Private Industry Council of Northeast Michigan Consortium has prepared the final Title III (EDWAAA) plan for program year 1995. The following is a summary of the planned activities for the target groups that are eligible under the Job Training Partnership Act: Total EDWAAA program funds planned for PY95 \$502,088. 1. Retraining Services: Eligible displaced workers will be retrained in a vocational program in a classroom setting, or through on-the-job training in the private sector, \$188,000. 2. Basic Readjustment: Intake, counseling, job placement and other employment development services, \$233,588. 3. Support Services & Needs Related Payments: Program participants will be provided ancillary services as needed such as child care or transportation allowances, \$80,500. A copy of the Plan is available at Northeast Michigan Consortium, P.O. Box 711, Onaway, Michigan 49765. In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act (ADA), the information contained in this public notice will be made available in alternative format (large type, audio tape, etc.) upon special request. Please address questions or comments to Edie Skroch, Department Assistant.

LEGAL ACTION

NOTICE

The Crawford County Courthouse will be closed on Friday, April 14, 1995, due to Good Friday. We will be open for business as usual on Monday, April 17, 1995.

Have a safe holiday weekend!!

Elizabeth H. Wieland
Crawford County Clerk
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NOTICE

The following vehicle will be offered for sale at public auction to be held at 9 am on April 18, 1995, at the lobby of the Crawford County Sheriff Department. The vehicle is located at Grayling Motor Mall at 4365 M-72 East, Grayling if anyone is interested in viewing the vehicle prior to the sale.

1979 Plymouth Horizon (Tan)
#ML44A9D200025

For further information, please contact Deputy John McDonald at the Crawford County Sheriff Department, 200 West Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49616.

SYNOPSIS

**Crawford County
Board of
Commissioners
Regular Meeting
March 21, 1995**

Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. in the County Building, Grayling, MI. Commissioners present: Long, Hartman, Coy, McLachlan, Smock, Bretzke. Commissioners absent: None. There were 39 visitors present at various times.

IN FORMAL ACTION, COMMISSIONERS:

—Accepted the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 7, 1995, as presented.

—Authorized Bretzke to resolve the request to purchase a chair for Central Dispatch Department not to exceed \$300.

—Accepted 13 pieces of correspondence.

—Appointed Larry Akers as director of the Local Emergency Planning Committee.

—Accepted the resignation of Susan Siefer from the Planning Commission.

—Reappointed Ruth O'Mara to the Crawford County Housing Rehabilitation and Community Development Commission for a 5-year term.

—Reappointed Robert Golnick to the Crawford County Housing Rehabilitation and Community Development Commission for a 5-year term retroactive from April 15, 1994.

—Extended to the Michigan Public Service Commission the use of the County Building and waived the building use fee for their meeting of Sept. 12, 1995.

—Agreed to send the Solid Waste Planning Agreement draft back to City Environmental Services addressing various recycling concerns for clarity and set a study/work session for Monday, April 10, 1995, at 1 p.m. to discuss these issues.

—Agreed to republish the Prosecutor's Special Committee Appointments ad for three weeks with the objective of forming a committee to study needs in the Prosecutor's office.

—Requested the letter of March 15, 1995, from Hartman to Seth Phillips, Chief of the Solid Waste Management Unit of the DNR be incorporated as Exhibit "B" of the document entitled "Solid Waste Planning Agreement."

—Agreed to include the "Solid Waste Plan Amendment" and the "Solid Waste Plan Agreement" in the discussion at the meeting scheduled for April 10, 1995, at 1 p.m.

—Entered into a new contract with RC&A Telephone and ear marked the \$4,000 signing bonus received specifically for the upgrade of the correction officers weapons and authorized

the purchase of weapons for correction officers at the same time the department purchases weapons for the rest of the officers.

—Agreed to have Sheriff Lovely sell 42 weapons presently not being used to the highest bidder, William Gunight for the amount of \$7,255.

—Authorized the Sheriff to purchase 25 new Glock Semi-Automatic weapons and accessories, ammunition, and training practice programs in the amount of \$17,993.75.

—Agreed to renew the Administrative Services Agreement with Group Benefit Services, Inc. including the Cobra Administration for a 1-year period effective March 1, 1995.

—Delayed action on the Centra Net Service Agreement until the next meeting.

A full context of minutes is on file and available in the Clerk's office.

Elizabeth H. Wieland, Clerk

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Public Accuracy Test for the April 25, 1995 General Election has been scheduled for Wednesday, April 19, 1995, at 2 pm in the Crawford County Building, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738.

The Public Accuracy Test is conducted to determine that the program(s) and the precinct ballot counters being used to tabulate the results of the election, count the votes in the manner prescribed by law.

Elizabeth H. Wieland
Crawford County Clerk
April 7, 1995
-23-30

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BIDS WANTED FOR:

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2. Caretaker for hall/grounds.
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Sealed bids must be received before the May 3rd board meeting.

Carol Rosenberg, Clerk
1794 W. Bear Lake Rd. NE
Kalkaska, MI 49646
-13-20

NOTICE

The Crawford County Board of Commissioners is seeking assistance from persons interested in studying the requirements, responsibilities, programs, and work load of the prosecuting attorney's office. A committee of seven persons will be appointed as soon as possible so a recommendation can be made within a six month period from the following:

- One retired attorney
- One practicing attorney
- One township representative
- One law enforcement representative
- One party from the prosecutor's office
- Two citizens

Please submit your resume to the Board of Commissioners, C/O the County Clerk, 200 W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, MI 49738, by April 14, 1995.

Elizabeth H. Wieland
Crawford County Clerk
-30-6-13

Election Notice

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL ELECTION TO THE ELECTORS OF
CRAWFORD COUNTY, MICHIGAN
FREDERIC, MAPLE FOREST AND LOVELLS TOWNSHIPS
TO BE HELD TUESDAY, APRIL 25, 1995**

To the Qualified Electors...

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Special Election will be held on Tuesday, April 25, 1995, in the above townships in the County of Crawford, State of Michigan for the purpose of electing a candidate for the following office:

County Commissioner - District 3

at the place or places of holding the Election in said City/Township as indicated below:

Frederic Township - Library (Frederic)
Lovells Township - Township Hall
Maple Forest Township - Township Hall

The Polls of said election will be open at 7 am and will remain open until 8 pm of said day of election.

Nancy Bindschatel, Frederic Township Clerk
Cheryl Hopp, Lovells Township Clerk
Susan Keene, Maple Forest Township Clerk

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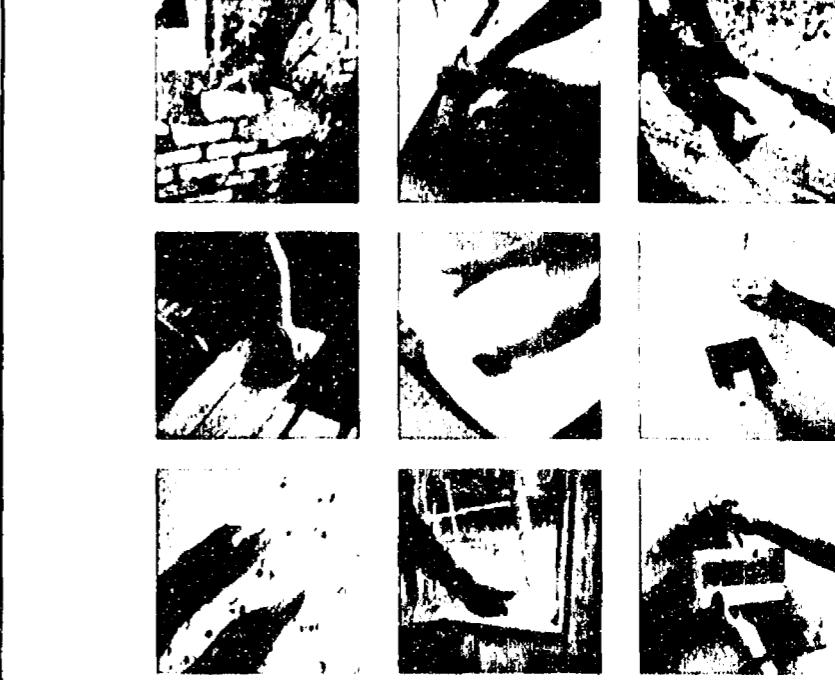
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YOUR HOROSCOPE

Forecast For: April 16 - 22, 1995	
ARIES March 21-April 19	Ready for a vacation? Well, not just yet...finish current project and tie up loose ends before heading off on R & R.
TAURUS April 20-May 20	Your dedication to duty is no surprise to VIP's. Look for a well deserved reward for going above and beyond what is expected.
GEMINI May 21-June 20	If romance isn't flourishing, it could be your fault. Be more affectionate; show your sentimental side.
CANCER June 21-July 22	Your concerns are not the only ones that need tending to. Be more conscious of the problems of those around you.
LEO July 23-Aug 22	The essentials in life are not materialistic. Look deep inside yourself if you want to satisfy your inner needs.
VIRGO Aug 23-Sept 22	With Spring already here, you may need to update your wardrobe. Look for inexpensive alternatives to name brands.
LIBRA Sept 23-Oct 22	A John Wayne attitude will get the job done. Don't give in to the nit-picking of others. Stand firm.
SCORPIO Oct 23-Nov 21	Those in your care must be handled with consideration and tact. Avoid hurting feelings unnecessarily.
SAGITTARIUS Nov 22-Dec 21	Show concern for one who may be in trouble, but don't fall for a sob story. Hold on to your wallet.
CAPRICORN Dec 22-Jan 19	Show more flexibility in dealing with subordinates. Remember that they, too, have their opinions and the right to voice them.
AQUARIUS Jan 20-Feb 18	Don't begin a new project until you have completed the old one. Start fresh and be sure you have your ducks in a row.
PISCES Feb 19-March 20	Take the time to correspond with an old friend. Nothing warms the heart like an unexpected, friendly letter.



'FREEWAY' NEEDS A HOME--"Freeway" was abandoned at, or near, the shelter. His two friends were killed on the expressway. He stayed near them as long as he could. Efforts to catch him were unsuccessful. Finally, he too, was injured so he found a safe place. After about two months, he was caught. He is about seven months old, limps, and is very loving. If you would like to give him a home, or any of the other animals at the shelter, stop by the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, or give them a call at 348-4117.

PET CARE TIPS

Cats that live outdoors will often hide in car engine compartments, especially in the winter when they are trying to keep warm. If there are cats in your neighborhood, tap loudly on the hood of your car and honk your horn before you start your motor, then wait just a minute to be sure any hiding cats are out of danger.

A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

23 years ago

April 13, 1972

The 10th annual kick-off luncheon of the Crawford County Unit of American Cancer Society was held at the Chief Shoppenagon's on Monday.

April 10. Those receiving award pins were: Mrs. Robert Sorenson, Mrs. Earl Wood, Mrs. Liland Smock, Mrs. Arthur Carlson, Mrs. Lary Gust, Mrs. Larry McNamara and Mrs. Howard Madsen, who received 5-year pins; Mrs. Norman Feldhauser, Mrs. Therese Goss, Mrs. William Kraus, Mrs. Ruby Reetz and Mrs. James Duley, who earned 10-year pins.

The Frederic Business Association is sponsoring a trout contest on April 29 and 30. Prizes will be awarded for the three trout with the highest number of points.

Newberry's General Store has been designated as the official station for weighing and measuring.

On April 16, Grayling Moose Lodge #1162 will welcome the 10 lodges that make up Legion of the Moose #107.

The meetings are rotated every three months, so Grayling has the opportunity to host this affair once every 1 1/2 years.

Area bowlers completed the March of Dimes Bowling Tournament held at Legion Lanes with a total of \$430 going to the local MOD drive, to help birth-defect children.

Marilyn Hanson was high game winner for the women, with a 250, and high-series winner was Kathryn Bunker, with a 676.

High game for the men went to Homer King, Jr., with a 267, and Jake Helsel won high series with a 666.

Seven new members were installed at the March meeting of the Grayling Chapter of American Business Women's Association held on March 21, at Canoe Inn. They are Mrs. Edith Lovely, Mrs. Marie Akers, Mrs. Jennie McEvers, Mrs. June Ryan, Mrs. Jackie Ruddy, Mrs. Shirley Clough and Mrs. Mary Gouin.

Steve and Wayne Westervelt, Dan Peterson and Dennis Harland enjoyed a week during Easter vacation in Mobile, AL, where they enjoyed fishing and surfing.

Ray Slusser of Crawford County TV Sales and Service recently awarded the grand prize of a television set to Jean Rice of Roscommon, during their recent open house. Other winners were Wanchi Yoder and Evie Tinker, both of Grayling, and Reggie Francisco of St. Helen. They all were awarded radios.

David Henion, who is employed by the Department of Natural Resources as park ranger, has accepted a transfer to the Proud Lake State Park near Milford. He was previously stationed at the Otsego Lake State Park.

46 years ago

April 14, 1949

A meeting was held last week at the home of Bob and George Hanson, to talk over the coming season for the Grayling Independent Baseball team who last year swept through the season to the North Central League Championship and then topped it off by taking the play-off championship as well. Elmer Kellogg was named as manager for this year's Grayling club.

A record crowd attended the Shirley Shoppe style show given at Shoppenagons Inn last Wednesday evening. Modeling the suits, coats, dresses and sportswear, were: Mrs. Lester Welsh, Mrs. Robert Strong, Miss Norma Parkinson, Miss Phyllis Newell, Mrs. Harold Rasmussen, Mrs. Carl Nielsen, Sr., Mrs. Frank Bond, Mrs. Clarence Parrish, Mrs. John Peterson, Mrs. Leslie Hunter, Miss Joan Bond and Miss Nancy Hoesli.

The Grayling Air Service has purchased a new plane which they flew into the Grayling McNamara Airport from Muskegon on Monday.

The new plane is a twin-engine Cessna

and will be used for general charter work, trips to Detroit to ball games

this summer, and as an ambulance plane. It will provide for twin-engine flying training in the service's flying school and also be used for night cross-country flying.

The 34th Judicial Bar Association met for dinner at Shoppenagons Inn on Tuesday evening at 7:30 and at 8:30 held a business meeting. This was the quarterly meeting of the bar association.

The Grange Hall was the scene of a

lovely formal party on Saturday evening, when Miss Joyce Hoerl,

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hoerl

celebrated her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Snyder and

daughter, Miss Peggy, of Bay City,

spent the weekend here. Mrs. Oscar

Hanson accompanied them home after

visiting several weeks with them.

Warren Genee and Mrs. Caroline

Piper, spent the weekend with the

latter's son, Charles Piper and family

on the Manistee River.

The building on US-27 housing

Long's Market and the Plaza Grill is in

the process of having a new front

installed.

The Clyde Anthonys are happy over the arrival of a baby daughter, at Mercy Hospital on Tuesday. Mrs. Anthony is the former Doris Rolf.

The Jappe Smiths expected to move to Lake Margrethe this week and the Jo Southwick family will occupy their home on Chestnut Street. The Smiths have a new home under construction at the lake.

Lots of folks have lined the banks of the "creek" these past evenings awaiting the sucker run.

Louis Woodruff and Joe Able, teachers at Frederic, spent Friday afternoon fishing at East Jordan and brought home many smelt.

The Hinkles are cleaning and remodeling, getting ready for the spring opening of their tavern and restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Horning visited the Albert Sammons family of Atlanta on Sunday. They found Albert recovering from burns on his head, hands and feet suffered when their home burned several days ago. All the family got out but they lost their home and contents and had no insurance.

69 years ago

April 15, 1926

Manager R. Petersen of the Grayling Greenhouse has announced that they are prepared to do landscape gardening.

Nemesius Nielsen of Chattanooga, TN, arrived in Grayling last Friday to look after his property here. For a number of years, Mr. Nielsen and his family made their home on their 780-acre farm in Wellington, Beaver Creek Township and later in Grayling, where they built a home north of Mercy Hospital. Mr. Nielsen is a painter and artist and some of the work he did while here still stands notable.

William Ferguson, county treasurer,

is driving a new Star Sedan.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben DeLaMater are receiving congratulations on the birth of a 10-pound son, Monday, April 12, at Mercy Hospital.

About 10:30 this morning the fire

department responded to an alarm and

found a small conflagration at the home of Sigwald Hanson.

Mrs. Signe Rasmussen and daughter,

Ellen Mac, left this afternoon for

Detroit to visit relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Charron are

happy over the arrival of a daughter,

Sunday, April 11.

C. S. Barber has been appointed

Fred Welsh was about town Monday

forenoon distributing cigars among his friends and receiving congratulations over the arrival of a daughter, Nell Kerr. And at the hospital, Mrs. Welsh is being showered with flowers. Three daughters and

three sons now grace the Welsh home and we might assure Miss Nell that she is in good company.

A daughter was born to Mr. and

Mrs. Elery Brado, Saturday morning.

Miss Louise Sorenson, a graduate of Grayling High School class of 1925, has entered Mercy Hospital training school for nurses.

Name Jennifer Long
G.E.S

WEEKEND CROSSWORD

THIS WEEK'S PUZZLE ANSWERS

1. Entreat	53. Affirmative	55. Make a speech	57. Leaks slowly
4. Core	54. Goals	56. Unit	58. Mimic
9. Clever	DOWN	28. Dunce	31. All
12. Paddle	29. Criminal fire	32. Diving bird, pl.	32. High mountain
13. Earthy pigment	30. Symbol for gold	33. Small houses	35. Church instruments
14. Dessert	31. Snares	36. Printer's measure	37. Somber
15. Hails	33. Tartini's B-flat	37. Dry wine	39. Added legislative clause
17. Best	34. Heating device	38. At this place	40. Type of code
19. ___ relief	36. Eng. beer	39. Tear	42. Pert. to flight
20. Drive away	37. Dry wine	40. Relish	43. Ancient Persian
21. Worry	38. At this place	41. Wheat, e.g.	44. Open by force
23. By means of	39. Tear	43. Among	45. Regret
24. Medicinal plant	40. Relish	44. Implored	46. Speck
27. The, sp., pl.	41. Wheat	46. Leave	47. ___-tin-tin
28. Dunce	42. Dry wine	49. Hurry	48. ___ Knight
29. Criminal fire	43. Diving bird, pl.	50. Replace a lawn	51. South America, init.
30. Symbol for gold	44. Heating device	52. Bind	
31. Snares	45. Eng. beer		
33. Tartini's B-flat	46. Dry wine		
34. Heating device	47. ___		
36. Eng. beer	48. ___		
37. Dry wine	49. ___		
38. At this place	50. Replace a lawn		
39. Tear	51. Bind		
40. Relish	52. Bind		
41. Wheat, e.g.	53. Light tap		



Courtesy of the City of Grayling and the Crawford AuSable 2nd Graders

Date	High	Low	Rain or snow	Snow on ground
4/5	16	10	0.06	1"
4/6	32	-2	0.16	2"
4/7	45	10		
4/8	45	29		
4/9	40	29		
4/10	39	24		
4/11	45	24		

Extended forecast courtesy of the U.S. Weather Service in Houghton Lake: Wednesday will be mostly cloudy, with a 40 percent chance of rain. The highs will be in the mid 50s. Thursday also calls for a chance of rain, with the highs in the 40s, and the lows in the 30s. Friday and Saturday both call for fair skies. The highs on Friday will be in the upper 40s to near 50, with the lows in the upper 20s to the



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Michigan anti-stalking law called unconstitutional

By B. J. Hetler
Capital News Service

Michigan's anti-stalking law is being attacked as unconstitutional, while law enforcement agencies defend it as effective in protecting victims.

The law was enacted in 1993, to

protect people from repeated actions that reasonable persons would interpret as intending to harass, intimidate or frighten them.

An anti-stalking crime can be a misdemeanor punishable by up to one year in jail and up to \$5,000 in fines, or a felony punishable by up to five years in prison and up to \$10,000 in fines. The crime is a felony if there is a threat of violence, a violation of a restraining order or if the person has been charged with the crime before.

Critics, including an Oakland County Circuit Court Judge, say the law is too vague, too broad and confusing. Judge David F. Breck said he will not hear stalking cases until the state Court of Appeals rules on the constitutionality of the law.

American Civil Liberties Union state legal director Paul Denenfeld said the ACLU has tried to convince the Legislature that the law needs clarification.

"The state needs a stalking law, but not this one," Denenfeld said. "It's too vague. For example, the language prohibiting stalking is confusing."

Because of the confusion, stalking sometimes is arbitrarily enforced, Denenfeld said, and a provision of the law also shifts the burden of proof to the defendant. The current law does not make the prosecution prove intent, he said.

Emmet County Sheriff Jeffrey Bodzick said the law is good and that tragedies occurred when the law was not in effect.

"We've made several arrests," Bodzick said. "In the past we could only advise the victims to go to court and get a restraining order."

Charlevoix County Sheriff George Lasater said the law is workable for law enforcement. "It is definitely doing some good in our county," Lasater said the department receives about one call per week, mostly involving domestic disputes.

"I'm pleased and proud of the state and the Legislature," Lasater said. "It took a lot of courage to pass this legislation. It helps us to help the victims and to deal with the perpetrators."

The law can have a psychological effect on troublemakers and sometimes will halt their actions when they are told they may be charged with stalking, Lasater said.

Sen. R. Robert Geake, R-Northville, who co-sponsored the stalking law, introduced a resolution requesting that the state Court of Appeals review the law. It was passed in the Senate and is now in the House Oversight and Ethics Committee.

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Legendary Land-Myths and Mysteries in the British Isles at Joseph Stripe Auditorium

On Thursday, April 27, the Crawford AuSable Community Education Travel and Adventure Series will continue when Hal McClure presents *Legendary Land-Myths and Mysteries in the British Isles*, in the Joseph Stripe Auditorium of Grayling High School.

McClure was a foreign correspondent covering some of the world's hottest news stories before he entered travel film production. A former U.S. Air Force pilot and instructor, he worked on a half-dozen newspapers before joining the Associated Press (AP) in Los Angeles. After winning a national fellowship for study in North Africa and the Middle East, he began a 15-year career as an AP foreign correspondent and bureau chief. His by-lined stories, which took him from the paddies of Asia to the sands of the Middle East and the chancelleries of Europe, have appeared in newspapers and magazines around the world.

When McClure entered the travel-film field, he brought a wide knowledge of the world and its people — valuable journalistic experience that helped him produce new and exciting travelogues. Listed in *Contemporary Writers of America*, he is executive editor of *Travelogue Magazine*, the voice of the international travel-film industry.

Land of Legend begins on the great windswept plain of Salisbury, where the Stonehenge ruins of antiquity have stood in silent vigil for more than 4,000 years. Why were these giant stones, some weighing 40 tons, laboriously erected to carefully align with the mid-summer solstice? And what of the giant white horses carved in the chalk hills, or the mysterious "crop circles" that have appeared

overnight in farmers' fields?

Not far away is Glastonbury, where legend says King Arthur and Queen Guinevere were buried, and where Joseph of Arimathea brought the Chalice of the Last Supper. The search for the historical Arthur picks up at castles at Tintagel in Cornwall, Wales, and finally on the Isle of Man off the Scottish coast. Some believe this was Arthur's Avalon.

While in Scotland, Land of Legend follows the hunt for "Nessie," the fabled Loch Ness monster that has been "sighted" more than 3,000 times since the mid 1930s. The legendary story of Robin Hood and his Merry Men has thrilled generations for 600 years. The quest for the "real" Robin begins at Nottingham Castle and today's Sherwood Forest and ends at Kirklees, one of his traditional resting places.

Most people know Sherlock Holmes as a fictional character, but thousands around the world believe the great detective still lives and they continue to write him at his Baker Street digs, today occupied by a London Bank. Mail addressed to Holmes is faithfully answered by his "secretary," a bank employee.

Tickets for this travelogue are \$4 for adults and \$3.50 for seniors and students and may be purchased at the following locations: GSB, CASD Central Office, or at the Community Education offices at the Adult Learning Center at Hanson Hills during the daytime, or evenings at the Grayling High School. Tickets will also be available at the door. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. and the journey begins promptly at 7:30 p.m. Don't forget, this is the last program of the series. This will be your chance to select destinations for next season.

MERCY HOSPITAL BIRTHS

The following parents are proud to announce their recent arrivals at Grayling Mercy Hospital:

Robert Umney and Gina Dusseau of Roscommon: Pamela Marie, March 24, 1995, 6 pounds, 6.9 ounces.

Anthony and Peggy Colvin of Roscommon: Michael Anthony, March 25, 1995, 10 pounds, 1 ounce.

Bryan and Melissa Schlaff of Grayling: Zachery Ryan, March 26, 1995, 6 pounds, 15 ounces.

James and Karen Benoit of West

Branch: Hannah Ruth, March 29, 1995, 8 pounds, 7 ounces.

Jackie Prater of Grayling: Mironda Leigh, March 30, 1995, 7 pounds, 3.2 ounces.

Girl Scout News

Area Girl Scouts have been staying busy including celebrating the birth of the Girl Scouts.

In December, Troop 2103 played bingo at Timberview Nursing Home and also had a raffle. Winners were Julie Kucharek, a duck quilt; Grace Feldhauser, bed doll; and Nancy Fagerlie won the coat rack.

In January, about 65 girls enjoyed a hay ride at Camp AuSable. They ended at the fort, where they enjoyed toasted hot dogs and hot chocolate, perfect for a cold January day.

February 22 was "Thinking Day," which celebrated the birth of the Girl Scouts. Troop 2000 cadettes put on a program to teach Girl Scout history. Games were played and cookies and punch were served.

Troops 2243 and 2006 prepared four different foods from around the world and then enjoyed sampling them. Other Girl Scouts got together with their dads and went bowling down at the American Legion.

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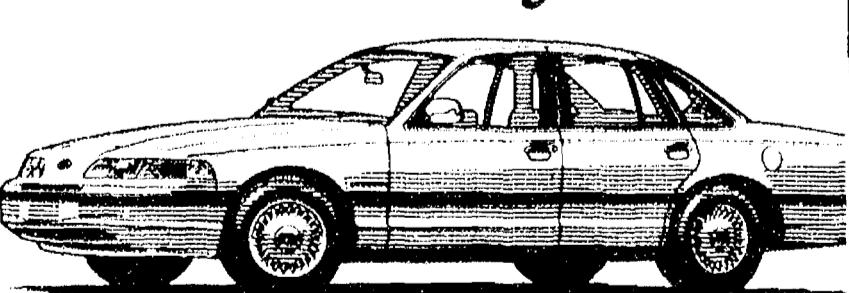
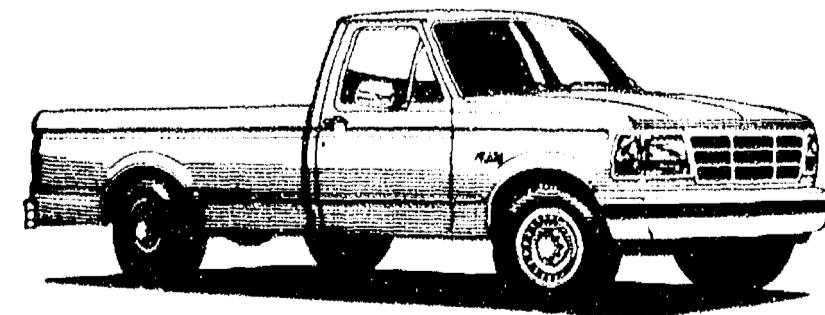
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